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Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.39
Yammat...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.39
Shatin...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51
Taipei...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.31	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08
Fanning...Dep.	7.33	10.03	11.18	12.43	1.53	5.13	6.08
Shumchun...Dep.	7.38	10.07	11.22	12.52	1.57	5.17	6.12
Shumchun...Arr.	7.43	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.03	5.23	6.18

Stations	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shumchun...Dep.	7.31	8.05	10.39	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13
Shumchun...Dep.	7.33	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20
Fanning...Dep.	7.33	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.11	4.28	5.24
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.43	8.23	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34
Taipei...Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38
Shatin...Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.55	5.51
Yammat...Dep.	8.13	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03
Kowloon...Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11

#### SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Stations	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.35	5.39
Yammat...Dep.	6.50	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	2.51	5.39
Shatin...Dep.	7.02	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	2.43	5.51
Taipei...Dep.	7.16	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	2.58	6.04
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.31	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	3.00	6.08
Fanning...Dep.	7.33	—	10.03	11.18	12.43	3.11	6.20
Shumchun...Dep.	7.38	9.13	10.07	11.22	12.52	3.15	6.24
Shumchun...Arr.	7.43	9.18	10.13	11.28	12.58	3.21	6.30

Stations	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shumchun...Dep.	8.13	10.35	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.20	6.03
Shumchun...Dep.	8.19	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.27	6.10
Fanning...Dep.	8.23	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.31	6.14
Taipei Market...Dep.	8.33	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.41	6.24
Taipei...Dep.	8.37	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.45	6.28
Shatin...Dep.	8.51	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.55	5.58	6.41
Yammat...Dep.	9.03	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.07	6.10	6.53
Kowloon...Arr.	9.11	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.19	7.02

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Stations	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Stations	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Fanning...Dep.	7.45	11.30	2.20	Sha Tau Kok...Dep.	10.15	1.05	5.00
Sha Tau Kok...Arr.	8.40	12.25	3.15	Fanning...Arr.	11.10	9.00	5.55

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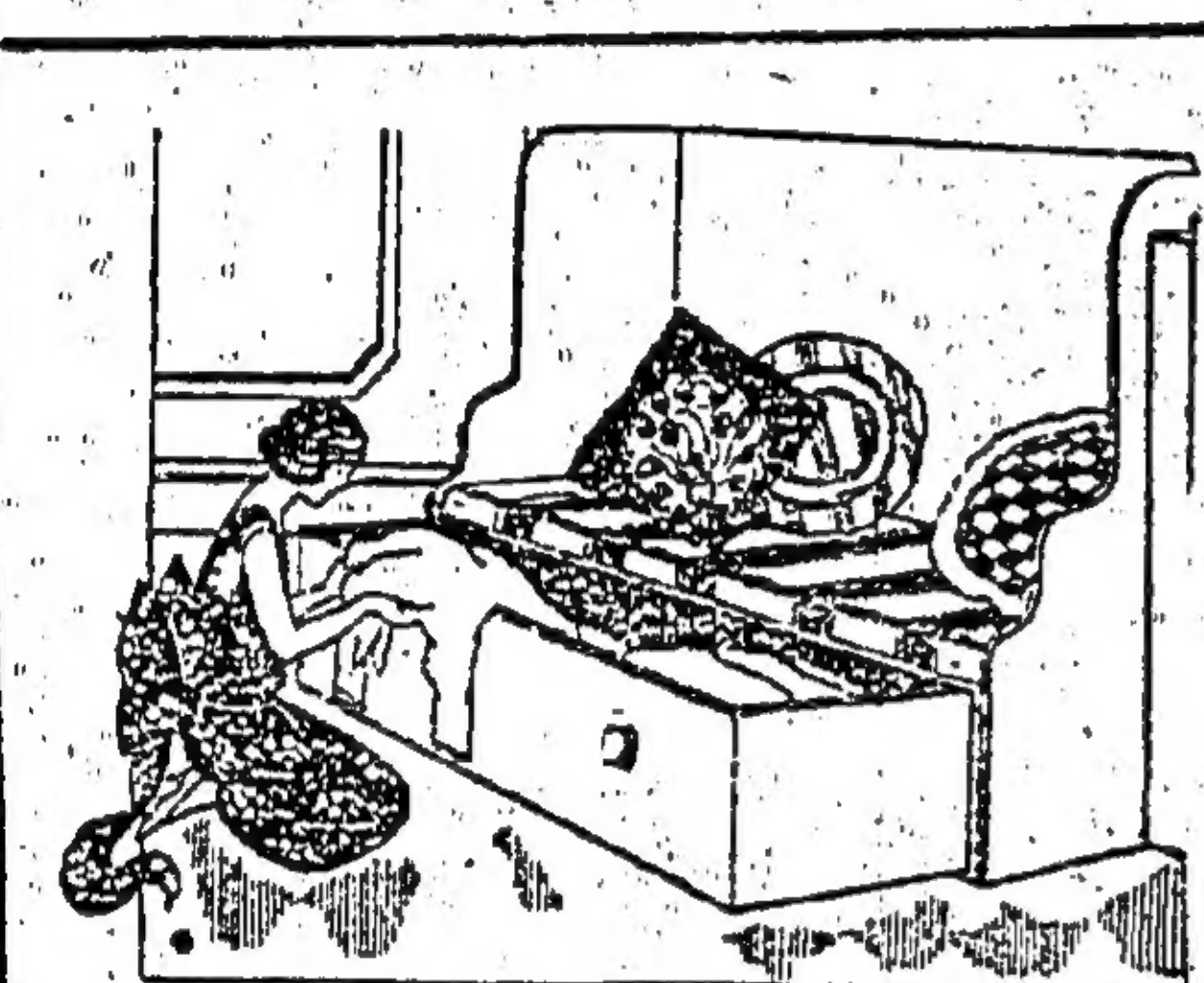
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EDINBURGH, November 11th.

"The European people during recent centuries had established their dominion over eight-ninths of the habitable land of the globe, but during the past twenty-five years that domination had had a serious set-back. The danger was not of a military conquest of Europe, but, owing to the collapse of European administration in tropical lands, of the failure of the necessary raw materials and markets." This is the considered opinion of Professor J. W. Gregory, of Glasgow University, the well-known traveller, who lately explored the border-lands between Burma and China. The narrowing of the world by improved transport, the levelling of mankind by the spread of education, and the increase in wealth and rise in social position of the negroes in various countries were in his judgment threatening civilisation with the danger of inter-racial conflict, and the still more serious evil, the demoralisation of colour prejudice. Professor Gregory says that there was evidence that the results of inter-breeding between the three primary races of mankind was unsatisfactory. That view was supported by the analogy from the breeding of domestic animals and plants in which it was found that the cross-breeding of varieties that were nearly akin often produced superior offspring, but the hybrids produced from parents that were very dissimilar were inferior. In the course of a review of the racial problem in three continents, he points out that during the past 50 years in North America there had been an effort to hold the negro in subjection; this policy had led to such increasing difficulties that it was regarded by many authorities as hopeless. It might break down owing to the fusion of the negroes in the population of the United States. The effect of cross-breeding between the three primary races of mankind was also shown on a Continental scale in South America, and the result was generally regarded as a warning. South Africa illustrated the difficulty of maintaining an adequate standard of life for the less efficient members of one race when living as a minority among another race. South Africa was at present struggling to overcome its difficulties by the policy of segregation. Australia had no colour problem, and by a great experiment it had shown that while people could live and work in the tropics under even such extreme conditions as those of the sugar plantations. The results supported experience elsewhere, that under conditions by which the standard of living was maintained the white race could live healthily in the tropics. In summing up the result of his investigations, Professor Gregory expressed the opinion that the hatred between different races was the result of jealousy and fear. Those whose standards of life were threatened by the cheap labour of the negro could not feel for him the affection held by those who had enjoyed his loyal and intimate service. The most hopeful policy available appeared to be segregation in mass with full opportunities for such individual intercourse as would enable the different races to be mutually helpful without raising that physical repulsion inevitable when people of dissimilar cultures meet with jarring friction in competition for their daily bread.

DR. NANSSEN AND ST. ANDREW'S. The Rectorial election at St. Andrew's University and the affiliated College of Dundee resulted in the election of Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, by a majority of 56 over Mr. John Galworthy, the novelist and play-wright. There was very little "ragging" by the students, and the approaches to the ballot-box were for the most part quiet and orderly. Among the Scottish Universities, St. Andrews shuns political candidates, preferring to honour distinguished authors, soldiers, and educationists. As a result some of the Rectorial addresses have been notable, more so than Barrie's dissertation on "Courage" (and *macconnachie*!). It is not often that the students of a Scottish University are found going outside their islands to choose a Lord Rector. During the war, however, the students of Glasgow selected as their Lord Rector Mr. Raymond Poincaré, President, and more recently Prime Minister of France. There is another precedent in the case of St. Andrews itself, the election of Mr. James Russell Lowell, the American poet, who at that time was Ambassador of the United States in this country. Mr. Lowell had been offered nomination in succession to Sir Theodore Martin, had accepted, and had been duly elected to the office, when it was discovered that he was ineligible for the post. According to some old-standing rule in connection with the administration of St. Andrew's University, the Lord Rector was invested with financial responsibility in regard to the University funds. Legal advice was taken regarding Lowell's relation to this rule, and it was held that as Ambassadors were considered to be beyond the laws of the country to which they are accredited, therefore, the American Ambassador in London could not be elected Lord Rector of St. Andrews. This is what James Russell Lowell humorously referred to when, in a letter on the matter after he had withdrawn his name, he wrote that the malversation of office could not be brought home to him in the Scottish Courts. Anyhow, Lowell was never inaugurated as Lord Rector. Dr. Nansen, of course, is not now an Ambassador. That should make his reign at St. Rule secure.

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## OBITUARY.

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At a nursing home, Musselburgh, on the 2nd inst., Eliza Mary Scott, eldest daughter of the late Walter Scott, Riddell, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. At Glen Lodge, Auchmore Road, Dunoon, on 2nd inst., James Thomson, aged 49, manager, China and Japan Trading Co., Ltd., Manchester.

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Trade forecasts are more hopeful than they have been for some time past, but the problem is—How shall we carry over the intervening interval of dullness? Shipbuilding authorities on the Clyde—one of the most depressed industrial districts, be it noted, in the whole of Scotland—are putting forward an interesting proposal. It is that shipowners should place orders for new craft at the present moment, and they support this with strong arguments. They say that it is difficult to imagine a more favourable time than the present for placing contracts for ships, as likely to arise because everything points to the fact that the heyday or undercutting by Continental yards has passed. The German firms which have been scoring over our own, recently, are now complaining that they themselves are having to pay the price. Therefore they are not likely to call the old trade. The present labour troubles in the Dutch yards are said to be due largely to the demands of the workers there for wages and working hours more nearly approximating the British standards, so that there may be less inducement to go to Holland for ships. On the other hand, at the present moment our own shipbuilders are content to accept contracts, often with no margin of profit, just to keep their yards open and their workers employed; and, in the circumstances, prompt delivery is practically assured. Whatever benefits accrue from the joint inquiry at present sitting, both masters and men hope to share in these; which, therefore, cannot wholly be passed on to owners who wait until then are placed orders. From all this, it is argued, now is the best time to order ships.

## CARUSO AND THE BAGPIPES.

Of musical matters, when I met him, Signor Caruso could not be persuaded to speak of Scotland. Only upon the subject of Scotland was he voluble and enthusiastic. At that time Signor Caruso had not heard of the bagpipes, but he intimated that if they came up to expectation he intended to take a pipe home with him to his estate in Italy. The result of broadening this intention was that when he arrived at an Edinburgh station he was heralded as he stepped from his compartment with the skill of a pipe band. I was not privileged to hear the famous singer's opinion of our national instrument; but judging by the description given by an onlooker of his precipitate flight from the band's onslaught, I do not think bagpipes—nor, for that matter, a pipe—would be included in the collection of Scottish "curios." Signor Caruso took home.

## THE LATEST.

This week an Edinburgh man stole a perambulator, and tried to sell it with all its contents, but bolted at full speed when it was pointed out to him that these included a baby several months old.

## BOLSHEVİK NEGROES.

## MOSCOW FINANCES THEIR CONGRESS IN U.S.

An attempt to beguile American Negroes into Communist organisations has been recognised by the American Federation of Labour, which, through its president, Mr. William Green, has warned its Negro members to be on their guard. Agitation reached fever pitch in recent weeks in anticipation of the opening in Chicago of the American Negro Labour Congress. Pamphlets were circulated among Negroes throughout the country signed by Mr. Lovett Fort-Whiteman, said to be a Negro delegate to the "Third International," urging upon the Negroes "the awakening of revolutionary significance." Mr. Green denounced the Congress, saying "it will not be held for the benefit of the Negro, but to instil into the lives of that race the most pernicious doctrine of race hatred." Reports from Chicago said that no secret was being made of the fact that the congress is financed from Moscow, and unusual efforts are being made to enlist the American Negroes in the cause of Bolshevism. Mr. William Z. Foster and Mr. Robert Minor, former Labour leaders, who were convicted of Communism, were to address the congress with Mr. Fort-Whiteman, who had just returned from Russia.

Mr. Fort-Whiteman says that the Negroes intend to have their social demands recognised, including racial separation, full political enfranchisement, and Government action to stop lynching.

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## PROSPECTUS.

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## Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd.

Incorporated under the Companies Ordinance 1911.

Capital \$3,000,000 divided into 500,000 Shares of \$10 each.

Of the above shares 110,000 were subscribed for cash on the incorporation of the Company by the two Promoters, the Hon. Sir C. P. CHATER and JAMES HARPER TAGGART, as to 15,000 each and by the Directors, the Hon. Sir C. P. CHATER, the Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK, the Hon. Mr. CHOW SHOU SON, the Hon. Mr. R. H. KOTWALL, the Very Reverend FATHER LEON ROBERT, ROBERT GORDON SKEWAN, JOHN SCOTT HARTSON and JAMES HARPER TAGGART as to 10,000 shares each.

On these \$3.50 per share (being as to \$2.50 one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to \$1.00 the premium thereon) was paid on allotment and the balance (\$7.50 per share) will be paid when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

140,000 shares credited as fully paid up, and ranking for dividend as from the 1st July, 1925, have been allotted to the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, in pursuance of the Agreement (hereinafter called "the Purchase Agreement") dated the 29th day of May, 1925, made between the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, of the one part and JAMES HARPER TAGGART on behalf of the above Company of the other part.

The remaining 250,000 shares, to rank for dividend from the 1st day of January, 1926, on the nominal amount from time to time paid up thereon but in all other respects equally with those already subscribed, are now offered for public subscription. \$3.50 per share is payable on application, being as to \$2.50 one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to \$1.00 the premium thereon. The balance due on each share, namely \$7.50, will not be called up at present but is to be called up on subsequent demand as and when capital is required.

In allotting shares the Directors will, if there are sufficient applications from *bona fide* residents in the Colony of Hongkong, allot shares to such applicants only, and they will also pay due regard to the applications of telephone subscribers.

## DIRECTORS.

The Hon. Sir CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, Marble Hall, Victoria, Hongkong, Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong.

The Hon. Mr. FRANCIS HOBSON HOLYOAK, of Messrs. Holyoak, Massey & Co., Ltd., Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

The Hon. Mr. CHOW SHOU SON, of the Bank of East Asia, Limited, Victoria, Hongkong, Banker.

The Hon. Mr. ROBERT HOBSON KOTWALL, of Chin Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

The Very Reverend FATHER LEON ROBERT, of Missions Etrangères, Victoria, Hongkong, Missionary.

ROBERT GORDON SKEWAN, of St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

JOHN SCOTT HARTSON, of Prince's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Solicitor.

JAMES HARPER TAGGART, of Victoria, Hongkong, Managing Director of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

In pursuance of the terms of the Purchase Agreement, the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, and the Oriental Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, or either of these Companies, so long as these Companies or either of them hold in their or its own right not less than 100,000 fully paid up shares in the above Company are to have the right of nominating two Directors of the Company provided such Nominated Directors are *bona fide* residents of Hongkong. The first nominated Directors (nominated by the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited,) are the Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK and Mr. J. H. Taggart.

## BANKERS.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Hongkong.

## AUDITORS.

Messrs. LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS, Victoria, Hongkong, Accountants.

## SOLICITORS.

Messrs. DEACONS, Victoria, Hongkong.

## REGISTERED OFFICE.

16, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

## ACTING SECRETARY.

A. L. TERRY, A.C.I.S.

## PROSPECTUS.

(a) The Company was formed on the 24th June, 1925, for the purpose of taking over the undertaking in Hongkong of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, who was the Vendor thereof and whose registered Office is situated at Alderman House, Alderman Walk, Bishopsgate, London, England. The material terms of the bargain are set forth in the Purchase Agreement as follows:—

(2) The Vendor Company will sell "and the Hongkong Company will purchase as at the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five the said Telephone business and the whole of the undertaking in the Colony of Hongkong and the Dependencies thereof as a going concern (with the benefit of all assets there situated but exclusive of the net profits, investments, cash in hand and in the Bank and debts due to the Vendor Company on the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five) of the Vendor Company but free from all debentures, mortgages, or charges of any kind and the Vendor Company save as herein specially provided for shall pay and discharge all liabilities whatsoever incurred by the Vendor Company prior to the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five including the satisfaction of all claims in respect of staff superannuation funds bonus funds and/or other bonus payments up to and including the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five. Provided always and these presents are upon this express condition that the same shall be subject to the said James Harper Taggart being satisfied with the state and condition of the plant (including cables, conduits etc.) of the Vendor Company. The said phrase "the undertaking" shall be deemed to include:—

(a) The goodwill of the Vendor Company as now carried on in the Colony of Hongkong and the Dependencies thereof.

(b) All the lands and buildings of the Vendor Company owned and/or leased by the Vendor Company for the purpose of its said business being the premises set out in the Schedule hereunder written subject to the rents, covenants and reservations affecting the same.

(c) All plant material stores machinery property stock in trade instruments furniture and utensils together with such books accounts documents plans statistics records and reports as pertain or are necessary to the conduct in continuity of the business being the property of the Vendor Company and used by it for the purpose of its business and including spare plant and stores of all descriptions (whether actually in use or not in use) without any exception whatsoever save as hereinafter mentioned in the possession of the Vendor Company or to which it is entitled and also including works of all kinds in the course of construction without exception.

(d) The benefit of all contracts and engagements entered into by the Vendor Company in relation to its said business (but excepting contracts with employees of the Vendor Company for which special provision is hereafter made).

(e) The Vendor Company's rights and corresponding obligations in respect thereof relating to all wayleaves ways and all other rights and easements enjoyed and used by the Vendor Company for the purpose of its said business.

(3) The consideration for the said sale shall be the following sums: that is to say:—

(a) The sum of \$1,155,000 (One million one hundred and fifty-five thousand Dollars Hongkong Currency) for the plant of the Vendor Company.

(b) The landed cost to the Vendor Company of all additions made to the said plant and/or property from the First day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five to the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

(c) The sum of \$4,133 (Four hundred and ninety-one thousand three hundred and thirty-five Dollars Hongkong Currency) for the land and buildings of the Vendor Company which are more particularly set forth in the Schedule hereto.

(d) The value of the stores of the Vendor Company which at the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five are in the possession of the Vendor Company in the Colony of Hongkong or are in transit to the Vendor Company there or for the purchase of which the Vendor Company has entered into binding contracts.

(4) The said consideration shall be satisfied (as to the sum of One million four hundred thousand Dollars part thereof) by the allotment and issue to the Vendor Company of One hundred and forty thousand shares of Ten Dollars each in the Hongkong Company credited as fully paid up ranking for dividend as from the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and (as to the balance thereof) by payment in cash in Hongkong Currency in Hongkong by the Hongkong Company to the Vendor Company.

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## Properties Leased by the Vendor Company.

(a) Six Office Rooms in Nos. 15 and 17 Queen's Road Central.

(b) One Two-storied Godown, used as Store and Workshop being No. 3A Duddell Street.

(c) Portion of land belonging to Kowloon-Canton Railway at Blackhead's Point, Kowloon, for storing cables.

In addition to the allotment of 140,000 shares of the Company, credited as fully paid up, the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company Limited has received from the Hongkong Company \$200,000 in cash on account of the consideration specified in the Purchase Agreement.

The Hongkong Company was formed for the purpose, also, of supplying telephonic communication within and between the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and the New Territories for a period of Fifty years under a Concession from the Hongkong Government detailed particulars of which appear more fully in The Telephone Ordinance 1925 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Telephone Ordinance").

The Hongkong Company is authorised to charge the following annual rates with effect from the 1st July 1925:—

(a) \$108 per Exchange Line within (i) Victoria and Kowloon as defined by the Interpretation Ordinance 1911 and (ii) within the Peak District as defined by the Peak District Reservation Ordinance 1904 but substituting "700 feet" for "788 feet".

(b) \$108 per Exchange Line within a radius of one mile from any exchange that may hereafter be opened outside the areas referred to in (a).

(c) An additional charge of \$50 per mile or part of a mile measured outwards from the nearest point of the boundary of the areas referred to in (a) and (b).

(d) For extension telephones, bells, switches, switch-boards, power-circuits, removals, and other services of like nature, such charges as the Governor-in-Council may approve.

Should the charges above referred to be insufficient to pay to the shareholders of the Company a minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital of the Company for the time being, after making provision for working and managing expenses, maintenance and efficient

service, depreciation and reserve, and the other deductions referred to in Section 35 of the said Telephone Ordinance the above rates are to be raised so as to enable the shareholders to receive such minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum.

The amount to be written off as provided annually for depreciation is not to exceed ten per cent. on the cost of the Company's plant and equipment other than land and buildings, and the amount that may be appropriated annually by the Company to a Reserve Account shall not exceed \$50,000.

The net profits of the Company after providing as aforesaid are to be used firstly in payment to the Government of a royalty of Four Dollars in respect of each direct exchange line Telephone which has been used and paid for during the whole previous Twelve months by a Telephone Subscriber or One Dollar per direct exchange line Telephone for each period of Three months or less.

The said net profits are secondly to be applied in payment to the shareholders of the Hongkong Company of the minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum rising to Twelve per cent. per annum.

If the net profits be such that a larger dividend than Twelve per cent. per annum can be paid, then as to the difference between Twelve per cent. and Eighteen per cent. half thereof is to be paid by way of increase of dividends to the shareholders of the Company, and the remaining half of such difference is to be set aside for the benefit of subscribers by way of reduction of the subscription rates authorised as above mentioned. The dividend payable to shareholders is limited to a maximum of Fifteen per cent. per annum.

Any further net profits (i.e., net profits in excess of Eighteen per cent. per annum) are to be applied solely for the reduction of subscription rates.

Full particulars in respect of the above appear in The Telephone Ordinance 1925.

(b) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is Seven shares.

(c) The shares now offered for subscription have not been underwritten.

(d) No commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

(e) The Company is to pay the preliminary expenses of and incidental to the formation and flotation of the Company down to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business and also the legal costs and expenses of and incidental to the negotiations which have taken place for acquiring the aforesaid undertaking and the negotiations with the Hongkong Government arising thereon and the obtaining of the aforesaid Ordinance, such legal costs and expenses to be incurred during the year 1925, and the estimated amount thereof is \$29,000.

(f) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of 1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$2,000 per annum.

(g) The Directors were interested in the promotion of the Company to the extent only that they or some of them are Directors of other companies with whom the Company may do business.

(h) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and of the Purchase Agreement and of The Telephone Ordinance No. 9 of 1925 can be inspected at the office of Messrs. Deacons, Solicitors for the Company, at any time during business hours.

(i) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to this Prospectus and forms part of it.

(j) Application for shares should be made upon the form accompanying the Prospectus and sent to the Company's Bankers together with a remittance of \$3.50 per share, being as to \$2.50 thereof one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to the remaining \$1.00 the premium thereon. Where no allotment is made the deposit will be returned in full and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

(k) Prospectuses can be inspected at and forms of application obtained from the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, and at and from the offices of the Company's Solicitors, Messrs. Deacons, No. 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

This Prospectus has been duly filed with the Registrar of Companies.

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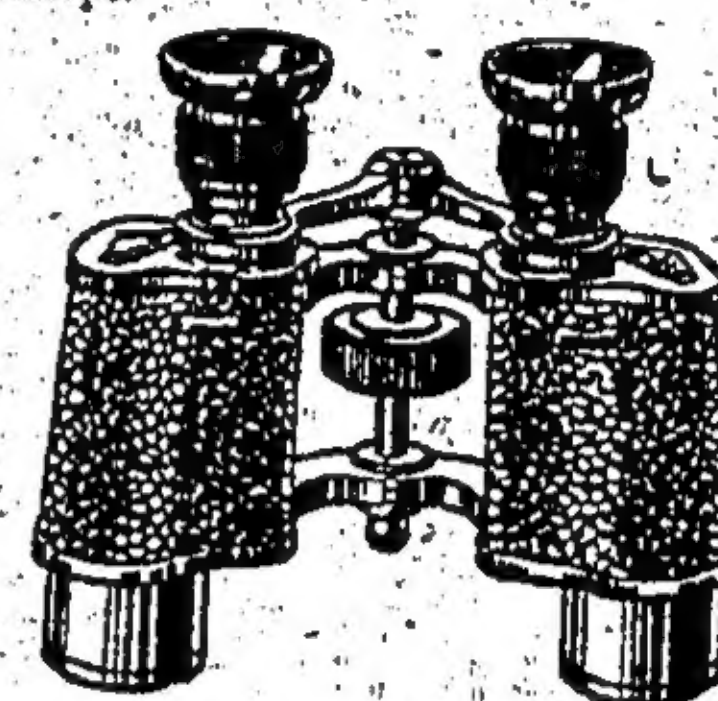
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The following story of the arrest and detention of an American at Canton on a charge of helping a Chinese to escape to Hongkong is related in the N.C. Daily News (Shanghai) by that newspaper's own correspondent who wrote from Canton on November 20th:—

On one occasion at least, foreigners who have been arrested and taken to the Tungyuan by strikers have been detained there over night, but Thursday last was the first time that a westerner was handed over to the police department by the union officials and by the police forced to stay at their headquarters until the following morning. An American gentleman who lives in Canton went to the Customs Wharf on Thursday, the 10th, reaching there about 4.45 p.m., carrying with him three packages of Chinese clothing which were wrapped up, and plainly marked in English characters with his name, and waited there at 5 o'clock. He noticed that several Chinese were asking for someone who could produce a key that would open a suitcase that lay there on the dock, but since these men were dressed in ordinary Chinese garb, with no badge or arm-band to denote their office, he did not suspect that they were pickets. Presently one of these men discovered another suitcase belonging to another Chinese gentleman, who was standing on the wharf when the American arrived there, and at once he accused the owner of being there for the purpose of crossing to the Hongkong steamer. The Chinese denied this, and the picket struck him a number of vicious and forceful blows with his fist, which quickly brought forth a confession.

## THE AMERICAN ARRESTED.

Almost immediately after that, one of the pickets, without securing the permission of the American, proceeded to open all three of the bundles which he had laid down on the wharf, at the same time accusing the American of trying to help the Chinese to secure a boat to convey him to the Hongkong steamer. The American gentleman told the strikers that he was on his way to Pak-hoktung, and had been asked to take these packages there, they belonging to a Chinese friend. Thereupon, two of the pickets seized him by the arms, saying that they must take him to the strikers' headquarters, and one of them used very vulgar and abusive language. Two of the pickets and the American, as well as the Chinese whom they had also arrested, took refuge in a boat. As they went along the East Bund, where at the present many of the striking laborers are lying, quite a crowd gathered and followed the party, hurling epithets at the foreigner, several in the assemblage showing a desire to use violence as well, but the pickets restrained the mob.

On the way to Tungyuan, several more pickets joined the party, and two or three soldiers in uniforms of the Student Cadet Army also followed, one of them talking excellent English, and asking the American many questions. He did not appear to be at all hostile, but the fact that he entered one of the strikers' office, before which the party alighted from their rickshas, and joined the official in charge in questioning the foreign gentleman, showed that the soldiers and strikers are co-operating in the work of arresting foreigners who are accused of violating rules of the unions.

At this office, the same story was told by the American as previously related at the wharf, and both he and the Chinese prisoner denied knowing or having anything to do with each other. A room was prepared, and the party next went to the Tungyuan.

## AMERICANS MUST HELP STRIKERS.

The prisoners were taken before several officials, and at last had to face a pompous, corpulent judge who ordered an examination to be made of three packages which the foreigner had been carrying. For the first time all of the strikers raised the cry that there was no doubt, but that the American was assisting Chinese to reach the Hongkong steamer, but the accused still maintained his innocence. The judge told the accused that all Americans should aid the strikers in their efforts effectively to maintain the strike and boycott, and that if they were unwilling to do so, of course, they would have to be locked up. The decision was then rendered, the order being that the Chinese should be locked up in the Tungyuan, one of the pickets telling the foreign gentleman that he would probably be kept there for 28 days, but that there was no danger of his being maltreated, since the strikers no longer beat their prisoners across the legs nor forced them to stand bareheaded for a full day under the burning rays of the sun, as was the custom when the strike started. The American was told that he would be conducted to the main office of the Bureau of Public Safety, which in ordinary language means the city prison, and that the police would dispose of the case, as they saw fit.

## A NIGHT IN CAOL.

The head of the department of the Bureau of Public Safety to which the American gentleman was taken, informed the latter that since it was so late, about 8 o'clock in the evening, it was impossible to get hold of Wu Te Chen, or any one else in authority in that department or in the Foreign Office who could give the word for his release; that they had no authority to let him go. The foreigner was allowed to telephone to friends, and he also called up the Nam Tai Club, asking for Chief of Police Wu. The latter was out, but half an hour later the telephone rang, and the officer who answered it said someone at the Nam Tai

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## THE HONGKONG TELEPHONE CO., LTD.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST OPENS.  
NEXT TUESDAY.

The prospectus of the new company formed in June last to take over the undertaking in Hongkong of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., is now advertised and will be found elsewhere in to-day's issue.

The capital of the new company is \$5,000,000, divided into 500,000 shares of \$10 each. Of this number of shares 110,000 were subscribed for cash on the incorporation of the Company by the two promoters, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater and Mr. J. H. Taggart, as to 13,000 each and by the Directors—the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoake, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Very Rev. Father Robert, Mr. R. G. Shaw, Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. J. H. Taggart—as to 10,000 shares each.

Besides these, 140,000 shares, credited as fully paid up and ranking for dividend as from the 1st July, 1925, have been allotted to the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, in pursuance of the Purchase Agreement. The remaining 250,000 shares, to rank for dividend from the 1st day of January, 1926, on the nominal amount from time to time paid up thereon but in all other respects equally with those already subscribed, are now offered for public subscription, being at \$2.50 one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to \$1.00 the premium thereon. The balance due on each share, namely \$7.50, will not be called up at present but is to be called up on subsequent demand as and when capital is required.

The shares allotted to the promoters and directors were allotted on the same terms as those now offered for public subscription. It will be seen from the schedule that the new Company is authorised by the Telephone Ordinance 1925 to charge rates for telephone service which guarantee a minimum dividend of 8 per cent. per annum. The dividend payable to shareholders is limited to a maximum of 15 per cent. per annum. The subscription list opens on Tuesday, December 15th, and will close on or before December 31st.

## THE CHINESE ENGINEERING &amp; MINING CO., LTD.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd., was held in London on the 2nd December. The Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1925, to be submitted stated:—

The net result of the year's transactions shows a balance to the credit of Profits and Loss Account of £314,120 made up as follows:—

Proportion of St. Kailan Mining Administration's Profits plus	£254,034
China Interest	2,293
Exchange	22,005
Interest in Europe	52,005
Agency Fees	6,000
Repayment of Excess Profits	22,479
Daily	148
Sundries	148
Balance brought forward (less sundry items)	155,100

DEDUCT:—	
Expenses in Europe	£13,361
Cost of New Coupons and Share Warrants	65
Directors' Fees	4,200
Income Tax	90,485
Interim Dividend paid 7/5/25	70,000
	£180,311

Leaving a net balance of £314,120 which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Final Dividend of 5 per cent. (free of Income Tax)	£70,000
Directors' Percentage 2.833	
Balance carried forward	241,235
	£314,120

Club was speaking. From what he heard of the conversation that followed the American was certain that it was Wu Te Chen himself who was talking. The police officer, said over the telephone that he had already informed the foreigner that he could not leave the Bureau till the following morning, but that he had already made arrangements for his comfort. The officer would not state who it was with whom he had been speaking, but said it was "General Wu," but someone else. There was no way out, the American would not be permitted to leave at once. He was not considered a prisoner, but as more of a guest, and might have either Chinese or foreign food, and a Chinese bed in the office of the prison.

## DOG RUNNER OF IMPERIALISM.

Early the following morning a band of police in plain clothes approached the bed which the American was reclining, and one of them accused him of trying to help Chinese to reach Hongkong. In his presence and hearing, several of these men called this gentleman an imperialist and a "dog runner of imperialism," and other such names. It was somewhere about 10 o'clock on Friday morning, when a young man who spoke English entered the room, and told the prisoner that the American Vice-Consul was waiting upstairs for him, and he accordingly left with the Vice-Consul, accompanied by him the three parcels which had been the cause of his predicament.

## ROYAL H.K. GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report to be submitted to the members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at the annual general meeting to be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., on Tuesday, December 15th, reads as under:—

The Committee have much pleasure in submitting the accounts for the period 1st October, 1924, to 30th September, 1925. During this period 64 Resident Members and 23 members of the Junior Section joined the Club; the Membership now standing as follows:—

Honorary Members	4
Life Members	458
Full Members	470
Restricted Members	70
Non-Playing Members	23
Absent Members	547
Naval Subscribers	25
Military Subscribers	20
	1,433

Junior Section:—  
Resident Members 66  
Absent Members 21

87

1,520

In addition 598 ladies are registered as being granted the use of the Courses and Club houses.

The Championship (1924) was won by Mr. A. B. Stewart, the runner-up being Mr. I. W. Shewan. Other competitions resulted as follows:—

Jasper Clark Cup (1924) Mr. I. W. Shewan.

Happy Valley Championship (1925) was not played.

Captain's Cup (1924) Mr. R. A. Camidge.

Governor's Shield (1924) Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., represented by Messrs. A. B. Stewart and W. Galloway, for the second year in succession.

Junior Championship (1925) Mr. H. G. Hegarty.

Junior Section Championship (1925) is not yet completed.

One Interport match versus Manila was played at Hongkong and won by Hongkong. One Interport match versus Shanghai was played at Shanghai and resulted in a draw.

The following served on the General Committee:—Mr. A. H. Ferguson (President), Mr. G. S. Archbutt (Captain), Mr. W. Adamson (whose place was later taken by Mr. G. H. Wilson), Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. H. U. Ireland, Mr. J. D. Kinaird, Mr. C. D. Lambert, Mr. R. E. Macdonnell, Mr. C. A. Peel, Mr. J. B. Ross and Mr. F. G. Walker.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linsted & Delois, who offer themselves for re-election.

Other business to come before the meeting includes the discussion of the question of extensive repairs to the Club houses at Fanling.

## LOCAL SPORT.

## YACHTING.

## THIRD DAY OF LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP AT R.H.Y.C.

The third day in the Ladies' Championship of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, yesterday, proved a good sailing day, and some keen sport was experienced. In the Handicap Class Miss Hazelard was first with Colleen and in the Maynard Heys, Sealdark with Mrs. Crane at the tiller, was the successful yacht.

The course was from the Club to Lyman, then to Cust Rock Buoy, and back to the Clubhouse, a distance of just over five miles.

Racing details follow:—

## HANDICAP CLASS.

Finishing Corrected  
H'cap. Time. Time.

Colleen (Miss Hazelard) 5.05 4.00.48 3.55.40

Arthur (Mrs. Arthur) 56 4.00.22 3.50.26

Falech (Miss Shaw) 3rd. 4.40 4.06.05 4.01.25

MAYNARD HEYS AND CAELS.

Sealdark (Mrs. Crane) 1st. 1.24 4.14.50 4.13.32

Gladys (Mrs. Adams) 2nd. 1.24 4.15.48 4.14.24

Grief (Mrs. Bailward) 3rd. 2.20 4.17.10 4.14.50

Bluebonnet (Mrs. Mitchell) 1.24 4.16.21 4.14.87

Theresa (Mrs. Baraclough) 4.40 4.20.50 4.16.10

Joan (Mrs. Davison) 1.52 4.18.51 4.16.59

## CRICKET.

## ARMY &amp; NAVY.

A cricket match will be played between the Army and Navy on the H.K.C.C. ground to-morrow (start 10.45 a.m.).

The Army team will be:—Major V. P. A. Hattersley-Smith, R.A., Major Pollard, R.A.M.C., Capt. E. W. Morris, Capt. Bridgland, Capt. Kent, Capt. Warratt, Capt. Armstrong, Lieut. Smith, R.A., C.Q.M.S. Stripp, C.Q.M.S. Fritz, Mr. Gr. Rough, Gr. Clayton. Umpire: Br. Woods. Scorer: Pto. Oliver.

The match between the Army & Navy, XI, and the Kowloon C.C. has been postponed to Wednesday week (December 16th).

## WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather forecast and remarks by the Royal Observatory, Hongkong, stated:

The anticyclone over China has again weakened slightly but fresh monsoon will continue along the South-east and South Coasts of China and over the China Sea. Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh line.

EARLY MAN IN BORNEO.  
LECTURE BY PROF. SHELLSHEAR  
LAST NIGHT.

An interesting lecture on "Early Man in Borneo" was delivered by Professor J. L. Shellshear, D.S.O., M.B., Ch.M. of the Hongkong University, at the Helena May Institute last evening. The lecturer dealt in an able and lucid manner with his subject, touching on prehistoric finds, the ancient history of Borneo and the customs of its people.

The lecture was adequately illustrated by means of lantern slides, which included reproductions of photographs taken by Professor Shellshear.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., M.A., (Vice-Chancellor of the University) presided and there was a good attendance.

Prof. Shellshear preceded his lecture with remarks concerning the development of a great system of culture in prehistoric times which was surmounted by a search for life-giving principles when animated the body.

The lecturer traced this through the ancient civilisations. It was a notable fact that all historic monuments and traces of this ancient culture were found where metals were discovered.

Continuing he spoke of when he visited Borneo this year to try and find traces of the ancient culture of the natives. It was a well-known fact that animals in various parts of the world differed from those in other places. In Australia they found the marsupials; but in Borneo they found the animals nearest to the types from which the human race had risen.

Approaching Borneo in the steamer he saw while still a long way out to sea the mountain of Santubong, round which he was destined to spend most of his time in Borneo. In a creek of the delta at the foot of the mountain, he found an interesting stone image. It was the carving of a woman on a sandstone rock.

It was discovered in 1884 by a Malay fisherman and a striking feature was the peculiar form of headpiece which might ultimately form the clue to the identity of the designers. Dr. Dart who had found in Africa what had been termed the "missing link" had discovered similar images in Rhodesia.

The lecturer showed a picture of the image on the rock below which was the small creek which had been a mighty river. At a depth of four feet nearby he found a dozen crucibles which had iron slag attached thereto.

Prof. Shellshear went on to describe other interesting relics which he found there. After spending a good deal of time in a large cave by the side of the river he set Dyaks to dig at its oldest part while he swam in the river to cool himself. Suddenly the Dyaks called him (with great excitement) and on arriving at the spot he found they had dug up a very fine example of a bronze axe. These discoveries were the junction between the bronze and the iron ages.

He went on to deal with the customs of the people of Borneo and said they were to-day entirely in keeping with the bronze age. These people were skilled workers in iron to-day but they did not seem to have developed other cultures.

Prof. Shellshear referred to the significance of the dragon. He found representations of the winged dragon or Naga. The dragon was found in ancient civilisations from Babylon to India and through China to Japan.

A picture of various stone axes, which had been found in Borneo, was shown and the lecturer said they formed a line of connection between the early neolithic age right down to the bronze age of man.

There was in Borneo the same reference to a union between a person from heaven with a woman of the earth forming a ruling class which was found in all ancient civilisations. He showed a gold ornament, a cowrie shell and a bronze bracelet which had been buried with a dead person. They showed a marked similarity with customs in other lands where the cowrie shell was a much sought amulet with supposed life-giving qualities. It led to the inevitable conclusion that there had invaded Borneo a culture which had been defined by Prof. Elliot Smith as having its origin in Egypt and proved by Perry to have been spread by a people in search of metals and named by them the children of the sun.

## KUCHING MUSEUM.

There was in Kuching, Sarawak, a wonderful museum established by an earlier Rajah who was determined to preserve the whole history of Borneo by endeavouring to prevent anything found there being taken out of the country. Except for the British Museum it had the finest collection of insects and weapons and traces of every form of animal ever seen there.

In conclusion, the lecturer made an appeal. He said they wanted to show the Chinese that they were cut to try and develop their country. Could we not study their customs and try and find out something about their early civilisation. There was evidence of it and this ought to be the centre where we could try and build up the links connecting up their long history. Science had its important side.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, in proposing a vote of thanks to Professor Shellshear, remarked that he had been intensely interested in the lecture.

Concluding, Mr. Hornell said he wanted them to believe that he and his colleagues at the Hongkong University were not only anxious to conduct examinations and to confer B.A. degrees, but they wanted to do all they could in the development of the science and history of China and to assist in building up the connecting links of its long history.



## CANTON NEWS.

## CHINESE LANGUAGE INSTEAD OF ENGLISH FOR TRADE CONTRACTS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Chinese Merchants' Association of Canton has resolved, in future trade agreements or contracts with foreign firms in the city, to use the Chinese language only. Formerly, especially in Shamen, ordinary documents and special contracts have invariably been in the English language. The use of the English language, the Chinese merchants contend, gives the English-speaking foreigners a decided advantage; and for better knowledge of the terms to be agreed upon as well as to popularise the Chinese language and uphold Chinese dignity, henceforth, the Canton Chinese merchants will insist on the use of Chinese in commercial documents. The resolution has been accordingly transmitted to the proper authorities in Canton for general notification, and publicity.

## PATROLS ON THE WEST RIVER.

To prevent the pirates along the West River from using the Red flag as license to plunder, the Kuomintang Navy in Canton waters has renewed the water patrol system. Patrol boats will be stationed at all the points where the pirates usually operate. With the return of better police protection, the Hongkong-Wuchow steamship traffic by way of the West River will probably be renewed.

## NATIVE BANKS' COMMISSION INCREASED.

Canton merchants regard with disfavour a recent decision by the Hongkong Native Bankers' Guild to impose a further commission of 30 cents for every \$1,000 worth of bills and commercial papers handled by its members. Canton merchants are interested in the additional commission to the extent that some \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000 are handled by the native banks of Hongkong monthly in the Canton-Hongkong Chinese transactions.

## PUBLIC UTILITIES AT WUCHOW.

Chinese merchants in Wuchow are contemplating organizing a company of \$500,000 to provide modern water works and to acquire the present electric plant. It is proposed to enlist the co-operation of the Government so as to secure for Wuchow public ownership of both the water and the light utilities.

## HONGKONG LABOUR UNIONS.

## CANTON'S SCHEME FOR AMALGAMATION.

The Canton Gazette states that efforts are being made in Canton for the unification of Hongkong labour unions, in connection with which an office has been established at the Engineers' Co-operative Union.

When the present strike started, the paper says, over a hundred labour unions removed their offices to Canton where they formed the Canton-Hongkong Strike Committee, and the Canton-Hongkong Strikers Representatives Association.

## STUDENTS FREED.

## DISCOVERED IN BANDITS' HAUNTS.

The Canton Gazette states that eight of the kidnapped students of the Pui Ying School were discovered and freed by General Li Fook Lum's troops on November 24th, and that nine more had been previously found.

Ten persons who had been kidnapped from the steamer Tai On were rescued at the same time.

## A CLEVER TRICKSTER.

## HOW A FISHMONGER WAS DUPED.

Recently a Central Market fish-stall licensee, whilst his fish were counting up the day's takings, was accosted by a man, described as a "European." His visitor, speaking in English, presented a \$100 banknote and asked for change in small money. The fishmonger gave him bills of ten dollars. The "customer" then said he would like to have a \$50 note. This annoyed the fishmonger and he suggested returning the \$100 note. The other notes were returned, but when checked later, three notes were missing.

The fishmonger states that at no time did the bundle of notes leave the man's hand. As he spoke he slapped the notes on the counter, and he did nothing more. Such tricksters have been previously known in the Colony. About a year ago, a shopkeeper, described as a "European," robbed several well-known stores; and was never caught. Then came the "slight of the hand" man, and he too eluded the police.

## SUMMARY COURT.

## CHINESE LANDLORD CLAIMS RENT INCREASE.

Yesterday before Mr. Justice Wood, Tsang Yu Ting, lessor of Nos. 14, 15, and 16, Jubilee Street, made an application for an order to increase the rent of his tenants.

The plaintiff was represented by Mr. D. McCallum, whilst two of the defendants were represented by Mr. R. A. D. Wadeson. One of these defendants, and another defendant who was not represented, consented to pay the increase. The tenant of No. 16, Jubilee Street, however, contended that the increase asked was too much.

Mr. McCallum said that his client, as lessor of No. 16, Jubilee Street, claimed the increase of rent under Clause 14 of the Rents Ordinance, 1922. He applied that the present Chinese lunar monthly rent of \$295 be increased to \$318.60, as from January 23rd, 1922. The application was on the ground that the lessor had expended several thousands of dollars in improvements on the house. The improvements included re-inforced concrete floors, concrete beams, a new staircase, and the inside and the outside of the premises had been redecorated. These improvements and alterations had been completed since January 1922. The landlord was entitled to an increase of 8 per cent. on the total he had expended on the property. He also claimed the increased rent from the time the repairs were finished.

His Lordship pointed out that the Rents Ordinance did not come into force until June 1922, and the landlord therefore could not claim from January 22nd when the repairs were finished, until June when the ordinance came into force.

Mr. Wadeson said that the applicant must satisfy his Lordship that he had expended \$500 or upwards on additions and improvements. He agreed that the majority of items were improvements, but such items as painting and whitewashing were not so.

The items were examined and both sides agreed to exclude those which were irrelevant. Defendant was ordered to pay \$19.25 a month extra rent, totalling \$231.25 per annum.

Costs for the day were awarded to defendant.

## DISPUTE OVER WAGES.

## CHINESE TEACHER'S CLAIM FOR SALARY.

Before Mr. Justice Wood at the Summary Court yesterday, Hong Yuk Sing, a Chinese school teacher of Waterloo Road, claimed from Wong Yu Man, headmaster of a vernacular school at 87 and 88, Battery Street, Kaumati, \$94.60 as wages due.

Mr. G. R. Haywood appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. C. A. S. Russ, for defendant.

Mr. Russ said that plaintiff had been taken on at \$40 a month, excluding board; but as he was unable to correct Chinese compositions, the headmaster had to have the help of another man, to whom he gave \$10. This was deducted from plaintiff's salary. Plaintiff also stayed at the school and he was charged \$13.50 for board. When he left at the end of four months he was given the balance owing to him.

Plaintiff said he was engaged on February 23rd as a vernacular teacher. He was to receive \$40 a month, including his board. He had to teach the first class only, and he also marked compositions. Defendant had not told him that he was going to make deductions from his salary for board, or that he was having another teacher to mark the compositions.

Replying to Mr. Russ, witness said that he was formerly at St. Paul's College, where he was given \$25 a month. He had not promised to take over classes 4 or 5, nor had he said that he could not correct Chinese compositions when he was engaged at the vernacular school.

In reply to his Lordship, he said that he was registered as a teacher on February 24th of this year. Another Chinese, who had previously been a master at the school, said that he taught the higher classes and received about \$50 a month together with his board and lodging. Replying to Mr. Russ, he said that plaintiff taught all classes.

Wong Yu Man, the defendant, said that plaintiff had agreed to pay for his board, and that \$10 should be deducted from his salary, because another man had to be paid for marking compositions. He had given defendant notice, and when his time expired, paid him off.

Replying to Mr. Russ, he said that the matter was taken before Mr. Le, the Inspector of Chinese Schools, and plaintiff had not alleged that he had been unfairly treated. Plaintiff produced his account book, showing the salary paid to plaintiff, and the deductions therefrom were inserted. Judgment was given for defendant with costs.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

## COMPLETE LIST OF THE PRIZE WINNERS.

Below will be found a complete list of the prize winners in the lottery at Sunday's Al Fresco Fete, held under the auspices of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the purpose of raising funds to assist the poor of Hongkong.

Winners are asked to note that they should take delivery of their prizes from Mr. J. M. Alves' office, 1a, Chater Road, before noon on Saturday, December 12th.

## MOTOR CAR DRAW.

Motor Car won by Mr. S. Masso of Eastern Asbestos Co., Ticket No. 1,634.

The following are the Consolation Prizes:—1st, Lady's Bicycle, Ticket No. 3,123. 2nd, Gentleman's Bicycle, Ticket No. 1,107. 3rd, Flower Stand, Ticket No. 3,053. 4th, Salad Bowl, Ticket No. 2,060. 5th, Fish Knives and Forks, Ticket No. 222. 6th, Overmantel Clock, Ticket No. 72. 7th, Fruit Basket and Knut Cracker, Ticket No. 2,039. 8th, Table Centre, Ticket No. 2,684. 9th, Cake Basket, Ticket No. 566. 10th, Rocking Horse, Ticket No. 1,585.

## FRENCH STALL.

1st Drawing:—1st prize, Linen Tea Cloth, Ticket No. 5, won by Compradore, Banque de l'Indo-Chine. 2nd prize, Linen Cushion, Ticket No. 58, Madame Maxon. 3rd prize, Linen Tray Cloth, Ticket No. 65, Miss M. Loureiro.

2nd Drawing:—Doll Raffle, Ticket No. 14, The Consul for Chili. 3rd Drawing:—1st prize, Linen Tea Cloth, Ticket No. 43, Mrs. Innes. 2nd prize, Linen Centre, Ticket No. 94, Mme. Rouillon. 3rd prize, half dozen Linen Linen Serviettes, Ticket No. 17, Mme. Adele Klingemann.

## AMERICAN STALL.

1st Drawing:—1, C. A. da Rosa. 2, Comdr. Lafarque. 3, Lam Shing. 4, M. K' Lo. 5, I. G. Mann. 6, H. W. Bird.

2nd Drawing:—Cancelled.

3rd Drawing:—1, A. R. Remedios. 2, Mrs. Nolasco. 3, Dick Lopes. 4, A. Ah Fong. 5, A. J. Rocha. 6, H. Barros.

4th Drawing:—1, V. Benjamin. 2, E. Rome. 3, (1) c/o Astor House. 4, J. C. Greenham. 5, S. A. Rushton. 6, W. H. Owen.

5th Drawing:—1, D. Huen. 2, F. J. Tavares. 3, A. Marques. 4, Naneli. 5, V. F. Ribeiro. 6, Ah Yu.

6th Drawing:—1, Alda Figueiredo. 2, S. Viscondelet. 3, Marie Luz. 4, E. J. Remedios. 5, S. V. Remedios. 6, F. H. Cunha.

7th Drawing:—1, S. A. Madel. 2, D. K. Kharas. 3, E. Leitao. 4, Dr. E. Souza. 5, J. D. Thomson. 6, C. P. Marques.

8th Drawing:—1, J. M. Cruz. 2, J. Macdonald. 3, Whitmarsh. 4, A. Grimmett. 5, M. Alves. 6, Leo Choe.

9th Drawing:—1, Violet Hoang. 2, Tony Botelho. 3, J. N. 4, Rouillon. 5, H. L. Young. 6, Hall.

10th Drawing:—1, H. Drier. 2, S. V. P. 3, D. Chellaram. 4, Rouillon. 5, S. V. P. 6, Society.

11th Drawing:—1, E. B. Ozorio. 2, C. H. Osmund. 3, E. Danenberg. 4, F. V. Ribeiro. 5, S. H. Salazar. 6, F. Rapp.

12th Drawing:—1, G. Graves. 2, O. Figueiredo. 3, T. Lannard. 4, P. Botelho. 5, L. Guimaraes. 6, J. H. Almeida.

## AMERICAN STALL—DOLLAR RAFFLE.

1st Drawing:—1, Geo. Osmund. 2, O. K. Wong. 3, B. S. Lee. 4, W. Hall. 5, C. M. Franco. 6, T. Choy.

2nd Drawing:—1, S. L. Tsun. 2, Geo. Osmund. 3, Geo. Osmund. 4, A. D. Silas. 5, P. Condon. 6, Mrs. Valerino.

3rd Drawing:—1, Geo. Fung. 2, Olive Xavier. 3, E. de Rocha. 4, M. Lee Moon. 5, E. Danenberg. 6, Bonnie Siu Kon Chio.

4th Drawing:—1, Julia Gardner. 2, H. L. Yung. 3, Sally. 4, N. O'Donoghue. 5, Joe Xavier. 6, Lee Fat.

5th Drawing:—1, J. H. Almeida. 2, Chan. 3, K. Ishimatsu. 4, Mrs. E. Danenberg. 5, A. Gossano. 6, Wong Sui Kong.

6th Drawing:—1, Andrew Tse. 2, Meh & Co. 3, Mrs. Wei. 4, Ah Yeung. 5, Mohamedally. 6, Mildred Osmund.

7th Drawing:—1, Edo Bozario. 2, F. N. Silva. 3, Hall. 4, Evelyn Sales. 5, Eliza Silva. 6, Sung Cheuk Kin.

8th Drawing:—1, G. J. Sequeira. 2, Eliza Baptista. 3, M. Ky Chue. 4, Lam Kiu Sau. 5, Cap. Branch. 6, Arthur Nolasco da Silva.

9th Drawing:—1, Com. Lafarque. 2, S. V. P. 3, Rouillon. 4, Ilma Sequeira. 5, S. V. P. 6, F. M. Goodall.

10th Drawing:—1, A. Robertson. 2, Father Regante. 3, H. Rose. 4, C. Shand. 5, Julia Gardner. 6, C. Kennedy.

11th Drawing:—1, Miss J. Remedios. 2, Simpson. 3, Miss Yung. 4, Edo Bozario. 5, J. M. Dyer. 6, J. M. Cunha.

12th Drawing:—1, J. S. V. Curtis. 2, H. Barros. 3, D. Strachan. 4, A. H. Brennan. 5, J. M. Alves. 6, S. Vircondelet.

13th Drawing:—1, S. V. P. 2, S. V. P. 3, Tang. 4, S. V. P. 5, Mira-Gutierrez. 6, S. V. P.

14th Drawing:—1, J. B. Pattle. 2, S. V. P. 3, S. V. P. 4, D. Kharas. 5, D. Kharas. 6, Dr. K. S. Kwan.

15th Drawing:—1, S. V. P. 2, S. V. P. 3, S. V. P. 4, S. V. P. 5, Mrs. W. Hall. 6, Mok Hing Sun.

16th Drawing:—1, F. J. Agabeg. 2, S. Barrett. 3, T. F. O'Sullivan. 4, Mrs. W. Hall. 5, E. Rouillon. 6, Fawcett.

## SPECIAL LOTTERY.

First Prize, No. 183, Case of Champagne, won by S. V. P. 2nd prize, No. 25, Case of J. W. Whisky, Red Label, S. Sequeira. 3rd prize, No. 51, Case of "Girl Brand" Beer, Rev. Father Gonzales. 4th prize, No. 1, Case of Condensed Milk "Eagle Brand," R. A. Razack.

## KNOCKED DOWN BY A LORRY.

## ENQUIRY INTO DEATH OF A CHINESE.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Major C. Willson conducted an enquiry, with the assistance of a jury, into the circumstances under which one Li Kam Fuk, who was knocked down in Connaught Road Central by a motor lorry belonging to the Imports and Exports Department, came by his death.

The evidence given by the driver of the lorry and a shroff of the I. and E. Dept., who was on the lorry at the time of the accident, showed that the lorry was proceeding East and when near the Yaumati Ferry Wharf, the deceased suddenly ran across the road in front of the lorry. Although the driver instantly applied his brakes in an endeavour to avoid the accident the lorry skidded a matter of fifteen feet, and the deceased was knocked down. The speed the lorry was travelling at was given at 13 miles an hour.

Deceased had both legs broken and his skull was fractured. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died the next day, according to medical evidence, from his injuries and the result of severe shock.

Without retiring, the jury returned a verdict of "accidental death" and added that no blame was attached to the lorry driver.

## NORTH POINT TRAGEDY.

## SHANTUNG COOLIES CHARGED WITH MURDER.

## CASE AGAIN ADJOURNED.

The hearing was continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon of the case in which eight Shantung coolies, employed on the reclamation work at North Point, stood charged with the murder of another Shantung coolie at North Point. A ninth coolie and one of the above defendants appeared on a charge of cutting and wounding.

Detective-Inspector T. Murphy was in charge of the case and Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith (Assistant Crown Solicitor) prosecuted. The defendants were not represented.

The defendants were alleged to have tied the deceased and another coolie to two posts and severely flogged them, the deceased being discovered dead at the foot of the pole by an Indian constable.

His Worship having heard all the evidence for the prosecution, intimated that he considered the evidence was not strong enough to commit the defendants for trial. He did not think the evidence was sufficient for any jury to convict the men on and he had decided to discharge the defendants. However, at the request of the police, who wished for time to consider the case further, he would remand the defendants in custody until Saturday morning.

## ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

## CHINESE REMANDED AT KOWLOON MAGISTRACY.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Chinese appeared to answer a charge of conspiring with others to defraud another Chinese of \$3,000. His Worship formally remanded the man until Thursday, bail being fixed at \$2,500.

## SHOOTING GALLERY—SPECIAL RAFFLE.

First Prize, Ticket No. 238, won by R. B. Cooper. 2nd, No. 233, J. A. McEwen. 3rd, No. 333, As Joe. 4th, No. 183, J. M. Alves. 5th, No. 283, Sal. Eze Ali. 6th, No. 347, Awal. 7th, No. 10, H. Dixon. 8th, No. 47, F. Young. 9th, No. 291, J. E. Castro. 10th, No. 231, Miss J. Reims. 11th, No. 244, B. B. Cooper.

## GUESSING COMPETITIONS.

Turkey—Weight 13lbs. and 14ozs.—Joseph Tang, Ticket No. 123; J. F. Eea da Silva, Ticket No. 58. [Each guessed correct weight.]

Gump Pie—Weight 8lbs. 14ozs.—Mrs. E. J. Ellis, Ticket No. 8.

Sucking Pig—Weight 35lbs. only.—Dr. C. C. Wong, Ticket No. 89; Mrs. Ribeiro; Mr. Evert. [Each guessed correct weight.]

Dairy Ham—Weight 25lbs. and 11ozs.—P. Mourer, Ticket No. 93, 25lbs. 4ozs. (nearest) (Thoresen Co.).

Christmas Cake—Weight 10 lbs. and 15ozs. A. Ogilvie, Ticket No. 11; A. Mossaboy, Ticket No. 207. [Each guessed correct weight.]

## SURPRISE CAKE.

The Diamond Ring was won by Mr. J. Backhouse, and one of the Wedding Rings by Mr. Andrew Tse.

## FURTHER DONATIONS.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has received the following additional gifts to the funds of the Fete:—Mr. J. M. C. Castro Baste, \$25; Messrs. C. Chao & Co., Chesterfield and Old Mill Cigarettes; Messrs. Sun & Co., Boys' Toys, Colours; Kowloon Confectionery; Sweets; Italian Convent, St. Mary's School, Kowloon, and Wanchai Convent, valuable and useful articles; Mrs. J. C. Vieira Ribeiro, cakes; and St. Joseph's College, \$25.

The Gross Receipts of the Rose Day and the Bazaar are expected to amount to \$21,000, against about \$30,000 last year.

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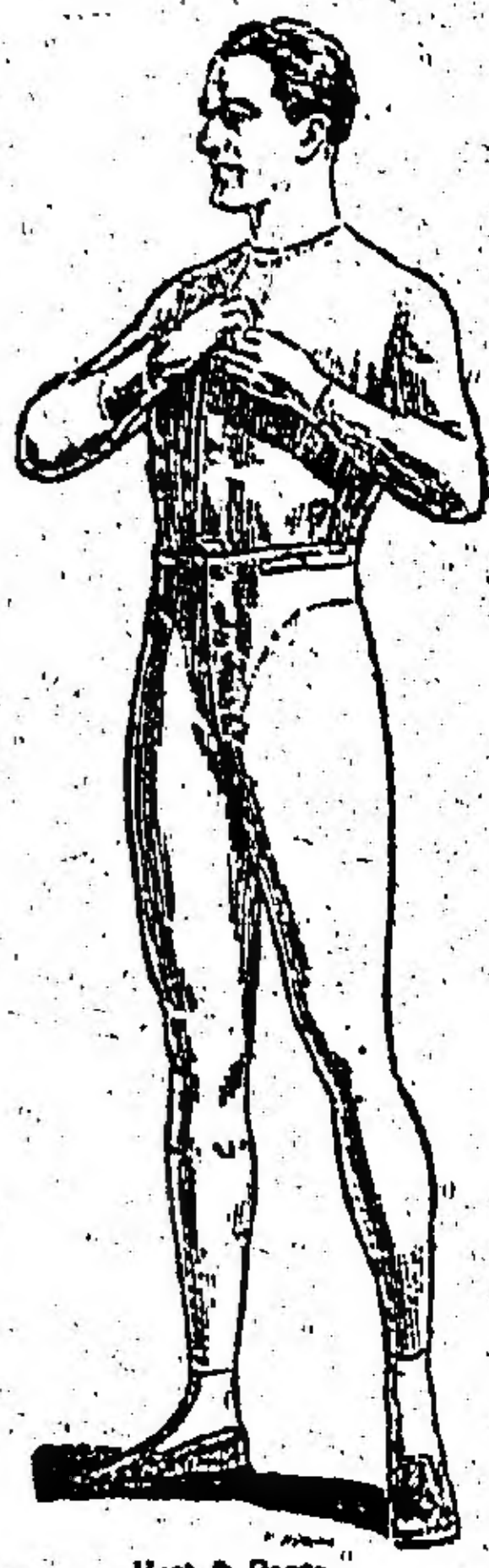
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. F. MURFORD is no longer connected with this Company, and CEASED TO SIGN as Secretary from 1st DECEMBER, 1925.

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E. D. SHANK.

General Manager.

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## NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that On and After WEDNESDAY, the 29th INSTANT, THE SUPPLY OF WATER TO ALL THE RIDER MAIN DISTRICTS will be controlled by bringing the RIDER MAINS into Operation and that Water will be turned on to Each RIDER MAIN Daily for Two Consecutive Hours.

Information as to the Hours of Supply to any Particular Property may be obtained on application at the Office of the Water Authority, the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, or at the Tung Wah Hospital.

HAROLD T. CRESAY,

Water Authority.

Public Works Department,

Hongkong, 7th December, 1925. [2958]

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th instant will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 25th instant or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th instant at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1925. [2958]

## PRINCE LINE FAR EAST SERVICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

## THE Steamship

"SIBERIAN PRINCE" having arrived from the above Port on 2nd inst., Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by FURNESSE (FAR EAST), LTD., 2nd Floor, King's Building, Consignee Road, Hongkong.

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925. [2958]

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 5 p.m. the day before sailing.

For further Particulars, apply to—

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1925. [2941]

## BOOK-KEEPER WANTED.

An Experienced BOOK-KEEPER, Chinese or Portuguese. Security Bond Necessary—Apply—Box 2932, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [2952]

## INTIMATIONS

CYMDEITHAS DEWI SANT. (HONGKONG.)

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held at 5.15 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 10th DECEMBER, 1925, in Dr. D. J. Lewis' Office, Prince's Building.

D. DAVIES, Hon. Secretary. [2931]

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Charter Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 11th DECEMBER, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the Year ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 10th DECEMBER, 1925, until MONDAY, the 14th DECEMBER, 1925, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1925. [2953]

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

ANNUAL BALL

TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1926.

THE Above Date has Now been Fixed for the ANNUAL BALL. REEL PRACTICES will take place in the City Hall on FRIDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, and on TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Arrangements for Ball Tickets for Members and their Guests will remain as already issued, but the Original Date unless the Honorary Secretary is Notified in Writing of any Change on or before THURSDAY, 18th FEBRUARY, 1926.

Owing to the Resignation of Mr. A. BITCHIE, the Duties of Hon. SECRETARY will now be undertaken by the Undersigned.

A. K. MACKENZIE, c/o Messrs. HOLYOAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD., Queen's Building. [2940]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO., LTD.

PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND ON SHARES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1925.

THE Board having declared a FINAL DIVIDEND of 5% (Five Per Cent), Five of Income Tax, for the Year ending 30th JUNE, 1925, Holders of Bearer Shares and Holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares, will be paid their Dividends on presenting No. 37 Coupon of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares, to any of the following Banks:—

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THE BARQUE BELLES POULX (FRANCE).

The Payments will be made in Dollars at the Buying Rate of Exchange of the Day.

F. C. YOUNG, General Manager.

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION. [2949]

## OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, GEORGE MACDONALD YOUNG, of HONGKONG, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that in consequence of Our Desire to conform with the Names of Similar Vessels owned by Us, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 41 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "PENELOPE I", of Hongkong, Official Number 161415 of Gross Tonnage 915 Tons, Register Tonnage 623 Tons, heretofore owned by JOHN SWIRE AND SONS, LIMITED, 8, BATHURST SQUARE, LONDON, E.C. 3, and I, CORRESPONDENT, Victoria, Hongkong, for the Permission to Change her Name to "TAIKOO WO" and to have her Registered in the New Name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by JOHN SWIRE AND SONS, LIMITED.

Any objections to the proposed Change of Name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within Seven Days from the Appearance of This Advertisement.

Dated at Hongkong this Third day of December, 1925. (Signed)

GEORGE MACDONALD YOUNG, Attorney for Messrs. JOHN SWIRE & SONS, LTD. [2944]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received Instructions of Sell by

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LAMBERT BROTHERS, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hongkong, November 25th, 1925. [2911]

## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

AT THE GENERAL MEETING held on NOVEMBER 25th, the Shareholders of the SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DE GÉNÉRALISATION DE LA BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE have decided to increase the Capital of the Company to Frs. 20,000,000 and to alter the Name to BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

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## DEATH.

Obituary.—On December 24th, 1925, DAVID ALFRED MORRIS, aged 37 years, late 3rd engineer s.s. "Mansueto", and of 84, Splott Road, Cardiff, Wales. [2954]

Hongkong Office: 14, Charter Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 28th, 1925.

## BRIGHTER THOUGHTS ABOUT BRITISH TRADE RECOVERY.

It is pleasant to be able to observe that a feeling of hopefulness and confidence is becoming apparent as regards the trade outlook in England. This is a welcome change from the profound pessimism which pervaded the country for many months. Some are ready to attribute the better spirit to the Locarno Conference which promises a settled state of things in Europe; others say it is due to restoration of the gold standard; others again mention something else according to their predilections or their knowledge of affairs. But whatever the reason, it is now considered a patriotic duty to turn a deaf ear to the croakers. We believe that this is the right attitude for those engaged in trade, just as it is wholesome and sustaining for a man to cultivate a cheerful outlook in other and more personal relationships of life. Nothing can be much worse for a nation or an individual than to keep harping on the doleful side of affairs, painting the picture in the blackest colours. It is a curious trait in English character to indulge in self-depreciation; and this habit has been practised in England to such an extent of late, in respect of trade at home and abroad, that foreign nations cannot be blamed if they imagine that we are "down and out."

A striking illustration of the harm which is done by the croakers is provided by Colonel WILLY, the President of the Federation of British Industries, who has returned to England from the United States where he has made a tour of the industrial districts in that country. Mr. Guy LOOCK, the Assistant Director—formerly a Colonial Office official—accompanied him. The chief purpose of the visit was to enquire into American industrial conditions and problems, but both travellers discovered that an even more pressing duty was to correct the opinion that they found prevailing in the States about the condition of British trade. "The average American," Mr. LOOCK says, "who in his highly head-lined papers reads glaring accounts of the growth of unemployment in England, of industrial unrest, of Communist prosecutions, and of declining trade, tends to consider that old England is finished—an impression which is of the greatest detriment to us." Colonel WILLY has done his best, by speaking and interviewing important people, to correct the false impressions that are widely held in America thanks in large measure to the sensational exploits of certain London newspapers who have been shedding crocodile tears on the tomb of England's greatness.

Of course, as is well-known, conditions at home are far from satisfactory, but that is no reason why Jon-like lamentations should be made day by day. Colonel WILLY found that in the States there is a rooted impression that matters have gone so far that Great Britain is on the verge of an industrial and even social breakdown. He was told that some Americans have deliberately refrained from attempting to obtain supplies from England because they believed it would be useless in present circumstances. The obvious comment is that they ought to know better, seeing that Britain, alone as yet among European countries, is repaying her debt to America. But on the other hand what can you expect? It is the way of the world if men or nations choose to put a low valuation upon themselves to accept the estimate, nor can the world be blamed.

We are glad, then, to find that a serious effort is being made to undo the mischief which has already been done by an over-dose of pessimism—a good deal of which, as presented by anti-Government journals and speakers at home, is inspired politically. The attempt to present things in right perspective will be assisted by the quarterly forecast of trade conditions issued by the Federation of British Industries on November 2nd. From this considered statement, which rightly carries weight, we learn that "there are fairly definite signs that the lull in world trade which prevailed during the last three months is coming to an end, and that a new period of expanding trade is about to begin." This movement, it is stated, received considerable encouragement from the change over to a policy of cheap money and plentiful credit. If some official assurances could be obtained that the present monetary policy is to be persisted in, this movement might easily reach substantial dimensions, especially if the inflationary tendencies already at work in America remain unchecked. It is satisfactory to have the further assurance that, taking the world as a whole, price relations appear to be better adjusted now than at any period since the war, such disturbances as remain being due to monetary causes rather than to lack of adjustment between supply and demand.

A universal week of prayer will be held in all the Churches in the Colony from January 3rd to 9th.

From to-morrow, it is announced that water will be turned on in the rider main districts for two consecutive hours daily.

There will be a small sale of work in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Home at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday, December 30th, commencing at 10.30 a.m.—Advt.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 21st November amounted to 79,230 tons, and the sales to 64,603 tons.

Observatory returns show that at six o'clock yesterday the temperature at Vladivostok was 17 degrees, at Shanghai 34 and at Hongkong 56.

Mr. Ford W. Garvin, of the American Express Company, accompanied by Mrs. Garvin, returned to Hongkong on the s.s. "President Harrison" yesterday morning.

Mr. W. E. Kirby, secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, having returned to Shanghai, Captain T. T. Laurensen, D.S.O., R.N.R., who has been in charge of the Guild's local interests during the absence of Mr. Kirby, expects to return to Hongkong very shortly.

A tramcar and a P.W.D. lorry collided on the Praya on Saturday. The hand-rail of the car was damaged. On the same day a tramcar ran into a roller and a lorry at Wong Nei Chong Road. The steering gear of the roller was put out of action, and the tramcar was also damaged.

A Bangkok correspondent of a Straits paper reporting the death of H.M. the King of Siam, says:—"There was a poignant scene at the King's bedside shortly before His Majesty lapsed into unconsciousness. The doctors brought in the King's baby daughter, who was born the previous afternoon. He looked longingly at the infant and touched it, the tears coursing down his cheeks. The pathetic sight deeply affected all those present."

At the Blind Home for Chinese Girls on Saturday Miss Bowick arranged a farewell concert in honour of Mr. S. Paul, of the Attorney-General's Office, Supreme Court, who is leaving by the "Kashmir" on Thursday for his home in India, on eight months holiday. Mr. Paul, in some time past, has been giving violin lessons to two blind girls at the school. As a token of appreciation the senior blind-pupil presented Mr. Paul with a piece of knitted work designed by herself and her friend and fellow pupil.

A licensed hawk, named Chan Fook, aged 38 years, living at No. 48, Peel Street, ground floor, reported to the police yesterday that he was the victim of a highway robbery at 4.39 a.m. yesterday morning. It appears that he was on his way from Peel Street to Victoria Market, when he was attacked by three men, who robbed him of a watch, a ring, and a chain. The men ran away on the hawk raising an alarm, one man running towards Hollywood Road and the other two towards China Road.

## THE LATE MR. D. A. MORRIS.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY CEMETERY.

The funeral of the late Mr. David Alfred Morris, 3rd Engineer of the Indochina Co.'s s.s. "Mansueto", took place at Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday evening, the service being conducted by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

A large number of friends were present, the mourners including Capt. Morris, Messrs. J. J. Brown, R. K. Robertson, N. H. Bennett, E. Miller, E. L. Merrett and C. B. Rothwell (of the s.s. "Mansueto"), Superintendent, Captains Kennedy and Skinner, Superintendent Engineer Sanderson (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, & Co.), Messrs. J. Smith, G. H. Hodgson, H. A. Houchen, R. Hoare, J. B. Hamilton, J. Matthews, R. J. Dixon, W. J. Stakes, J. S. Fraser, J. Thorburn, J. Glen, P. T. Farrell and Inspector Clark.

Floral tributes were sent by the following:—"Sorrowing Relations," Mr. and Mrs. Thorburn, Mr. and Mrs. Glen, Capt. and Mrs. C. E. Webb, Capt. Cumming, Messrs. P. T. Farrell, N. H. Bennett, T. W. Hartley, W. Sanderson, R. B. Robertson and brother officers, T. J. Dixon, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bliss and family, Captain, Officers and Engineers, s.s. "Kailan," the Marine Engineers' Guild, Marine Engineers' Institute, Seamen's Institute, Kowloon Dock Drawing Office Staff, Superintendent, Indo-China S.N. Company, and the General Managers, Indo-China S.N. Company.

## HOME MAILS.

Yesterday the s.s. "Trieste" arrived with Home mail (letters only of London, November 5th) via Negapatam. The total number of bags landed was 90, of which 40 bags were Naval mail and 50 from the United Kingdom. The remainder was Straits letters and papers.

Later mails yesterday were from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai by the s.s. "President Harrison" and the s.s. "Taiyo Maru."

To-day the s.s. "Taima" is due with home papers via Negapatam of the same date as the letters brought by the "Trieste."

The "Empress of Asia" is also due to-day from Manila, while the s.s. "President Jackson" is due on Thursday from the same port.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" will arrive on Thursday from London via ports, a day ahead of her time. She is due about mid-day and will bring letters and papers from the United Kingdom (dated London, November 12th) and also parcels from Home. This vessel will sail for Shanghai and Japan on Friday morning now instead of on Saturday, and will carry outgoing mail for those ports.

The P. & O. s.s. "Moran" is due from the North with mail on Friday and sails for London with the Home mail via Marseilles on Saturday morning.

On Thursday the s.s. "President Taft" should arrive with another mail from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai.



## CHANG TSO LIN'S TROOPS IN FULL RETREAT.

## MARSHAL PREPARING TO "RETIRE INTO PRIVATE LIFE."

## JAPANESE GARRISON IN MANCHURIA TO BE REINFORCED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

PEKING, December 6th.  
Foreign telegrams from Mukden state that the troops of General Kuo Sung Ling, under pretence of surrendering, turned Marshal Chang Tso Lin's left flank.

In consequence, the Marshal's defence line has completely collapsed and is in full retreat to Mukden.

It may make a last stand at the Liao River.  
There is a complete breakdown all round Mukden and a general exodus from the city.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin has notified his intention of retiring into private life, and is preparing to leave Mukden immediately.

## JAPAN TAKES PRECAUTIONS.

TOKYO, December 6th.

It is learned from a very reliable source that Japanese troops will probably be despatched shortly to reinforce the Manchurian garrison, which is greatly under strength owing to time-expired conscripts having recently returned to Japan.

It is understood that the Japanese General Staff expects that Chang Tso

Lin will be unable to resist General Kuo's attack and will flee to safety.

Heavy fighting is not expected; nor is it likely that Japanese lives will be seriously endangered; so that Japan is unlikely to need to take any military action except to bring the local garrison up to normal strength as a precaution.

Foreign Office advices from Mukden state that Japanese residents in the railway zone are badly frightened, fearing serious eventualities. It is understood that a number have already fled to Korea.

Baron Shidehara, the Foreign Minister, is optimistic; he believes that the present situation probably means the dawn of a new era in China.

## CLASH AT TIENTSIN FEARED.

PEKING, December 6th.

Despite the news of the Mukden collapse, General Li Ching Lin is stated to have reiterated his intention to oppose the Kuomintang (People's Army), and a clash in the neighbourhood of Tientsin is momentarily expected.

Li Ching Lin is stated to have reached a complete agreement with Wu Pei Fu and Sun Chuan Fang.

## ILICIT OPIUM IN STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

## SMUGGLERS LOSE OVER MILLION DOLLARS IN TWO MONTHS.

Would-be smugglers into Singapore of non-Government chandu (opium) have this year been deprived of something between two and three million dollars of prospective profits, it is roughly calculated from figures relating to captures which have been effected by officers of the Colony's Preventive Service, says the *Singapore Free Press*.

The discovery on the *Kwiyang*, which arrived from China ports recently, of over 4,000 tahils of illicit chandu is only one of several important seizures of contraband which have been made by officers of the Preventive Service at Singapore during this month on steamers arriving here from China. On Sunday Revenue officers visited the *Kwiyang* and discovered 800 tahils concealed in the ventilators. The greater part of the contraband, however, was found on Monday displayed beneath and actually inside barrels of cement in one of the holds. The seizure of a large quantity of opium and about 19 lbs. of cocaine on the *Hong Peng* earlier in the month was an important capture, which preceded several others, all of which go to show that the smuggler, despite his indisputable cleverness, has a very watchful preventive service to contend with, whose officers are up to all but the most ingenious tricks of the smuggler's trade.

A visit to the Dutch steamer, *van Overstraten*, discovered 1,150 tahils in the fresh water domestic tank, 1,510 tahils were revealed in a search on the Norwegian steamer *Præmiant*, an almost similar quantity was found in the tunnel of the *Varvick*, and smaller quantities on the B.L. steamer *Talamba*, from Calcutta, on the passenger deck of the *Glenfalloch*, and in the scuppers of the *Hongwa*, the chandu in the last instance being cleverly cemented over.

Considerable though the traffic in illicit chandu is on steamers plying to and from Singapore, it is not confined to the sea. A little while back the police captured a consignment of seven or eight thousand tahils in a truck on its way up the Singapore River to an unknown destination. That was only half of the whole consignment, the remainder of which was discovered by preventive officers buried on an island not far from Pasir Panjang. That, despite the vigilance of the Preventive Service, some proportion of the contraband chandu reaches its destination is indicated by the recent discovery of 2,900 tahils buried beneath the floor of a house in St. Thomas's Walk, this 300,000 consignment being the property of one of the servants employed at the house.

Many have been the captures made in November, October was even more prolific, seizures amounting in the aggregate to over 46,000 tahils of chandu and opium being made. Considerable as this was, it was only little more than half of the record captures aggregating 83,000 tahils which were made in April. The value of this non-Government chandu may be fairly placed at ten dollars a tahil, so that in these two months alone chandu smugglers sustained a loss of more than one and a quarter million dollars.

## A SINGAPORE MUNICIPAL LOAN.

## \$22,000,000 FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

The Singapore Municipal Council at its meeting last week passed a resolution authorising the borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$22,000,000 by the creation of Debenture Stock bearing interest at a percentage annum and redeemable at any time or to May 1st, 1930. Interest will be payable half-yearly.

A schedule setting out the works and services to be paid for out of the money raised was circulated. Repayment of short-term loans to Colonial Government, S.S. \$5,973,305; Water Scheme, Johore, \$1,750,000; Water Scheme, Singapore Island, \$1,500,000; Electric Power Station and Extensions, \$2,400,000; Roads, \$1,050,000; New Municipal Offices, \$1,750,000; Balance, \$378,695; Total, \$22,000,000.

In connection with the first item, amount already expended or to be expended are as follows: Hospitals, \$88,000; Markets, \$78,000; Cemeteries, \$155,000; Roads and Bridges, \$368,000; Quarters for Officers, \$1,165,000; Sewerage Works, \$893,000; Drainage, \$523,367.91; Water Scheme, Johore, \$731,368.19; Water Scheme, Singapore Island, \$1,067,988.30; Total, \$5,973,305.

## "IMMORAL DRESS."

## DENUNCIATION BY CATHOLIC CHURCH IN MANILA.

War says the *Manila Times*, has been declared against "immoral dress" in the city with the issuance, under the ecclesiastical authority of the Manila Catholic Church of a pamphlet vigorously attacking the present "indecent and immoral styles." The pamphlet enumerates the "scandals of the day" as follows:

1. Loose gowns without waistlines, waists or which have all the cloth gathered to the sides of body, leaving the center, front and back parts completely smooth.

2. Belts which are placed so low that they girdle the hips and cause the wearer, on walking, to execute movements which are indecent and indecorous as those executed by the most shameless dancer.

3. Stockings which reach only to the lower part of the calf, leaving the knees bare so that with the slightest movement of the skirt the flesh is seen.

## "IOLANTHE."

## THIS WEEK'S PRODUCTION OF THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

Hongkong has just had the opportunity of seeing that most humorous farce, "A Little Bit of Fluff," which was so excellently staged by the A.D.C. They are now to be treated to an entirely different type of entertainment in the production of "Iolanthe" by the Philharmonic Society, the first performance of which commences at 8.15 on Friday, December 11th, at the Theatre Royal.

This Opera was first produced at the Savoy in London about 40 years ago and was an immediate success, and has been revived on several occasions since. It has always been a favourite with amateurs, largely because of its many enchanting musical numbers, whilst Gilbert's satire, almost at its best in this Opera, readily appeals to the sense of humour of the audience.

The plot, a typically Gilbertian one, is doubtless well-known to most readers. England's Lord Chancellor has married a Fairy, Iolanthe, an unpardonable offence on the part of the latter punishment by death; the Queen of the Fairies, who loves her, has commuted the sentence to penal servitude for life on condition that she leaves her husband and never see him again. To be near her son, Strephon (half fairy and half mortal), Iolanthe decides to work out her sentence at the bottom of a well. Meanwhile the Lord Chancellor, thinking her dead, has allowed himself to fall in love with his beautiful ward, Phyllis, as indeed have all the House of Peers. Phyllis, however, has already fallen in love with Strephon who is an Arcadian shepherd, but when she sees him fondling Iolanthe (who never grows old) she rejects him and gives her hand, but not her heart, to one of the Lords. Eventually matters are satisfactorily explained and the Lord Chancellor is reunited to Iolanthe, but as the Fairy Laws explicitly state that "every Fairy who marries a mortal must die," and every fairy has already married a Peer, the Queen is in a quandary. The Lord Chancellor, however, with the true subtlety of the law, suggests that the addition of a single word will put matters right, whereon the word "don't" is added with unanimous approval; the Queen, not to be left in the cold, invites the Satyr, Private Willis, to marry her; all become Fairies, and troubles are at an end.

Although the troubles are so easily overcome in the Opera, the Philharmonic Society have found more difficulty in overcoming those which have occurred during the preparatory stage. First Mr. W. Wheller, who was so successful in producing "The Yeomen of the Guard" and "The Gondoliers" left the Colony on his return, and another producer had to be found. Luckily in Mr. R. R. Davies they have a man with full knowledge of Gilbert and Sullivan Operas and boundless energy, and it is safe to say that he will uphold the traditions of Gilbert and Sullivan to the full in the production of "Iolanthe."

The Band parts of these Operas are difficult to obtain so far out East and this caused the Musical Conductor (Mr. S. Collett) much trouble and anxiety. These were eventually obtained from India through the kind assistance of the Madras Dramatic Society, but it is a pity during the last few days that the Overture has become available.

Sickness has also rendered several of the Principal *hors d'combat* during rehearsals, one lady having the misfortune to sprain her ankle and others suffering from the local complaint, dengue fever. Also the gentleman taking the leading part among the men, has been indisposed but it is hoped he will be well enough to appear when the first performance is given. If not, one of our old friends of the "Yeomen of the Guard" and "Gondoliers" productions will be available.

Two points in connection with this latest effort of the Philharmonic Society call for special mention. Firstly, a matinee (children half price) is being given on Wednesday, December 16th, at 4.30, whilst containing all the essentials of a Gilbert and Sullivan production; it also includes the "Fairy" element and therefore one of the main reasons for Hongkong performances suitable for children. As this particular performance is likely to be well patronised it would be advisable for all those intending to take their children to book early. "Anderson's" are already busy with bookings for this occasion.

Secondly, the bulk of any profits that may accrue are to be given to our local charities. Hongkong residents are not being asked to give their money to charity, but if they are satisfied that they have had their money's worth on the occasion of their first visit to "Iolanthe," it is hoped that they will not hesitate to book for a second visit if any seats are available, so that there may be no vacant seats in the House.

## LAST NIGHT'S BOXING.

## H.K.B.A.'S EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

## MANY CHALLENGES ISSUED.

(BY GADSDYEN.)

The Theatre Royal was not crowded last night, when the Hongkong Boxing Association held their second tournament of the season.

Amongst those present were Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, and Commodore A. J. B. Stirling.

The boxing was of a very good standard, and amongst the novices were some really good men. Able Seaman Ewin defeated Stoker Morrell on points. Morrell challenged Ewin to another contest.

Drummer Bowles gained the decision over Signalmen Rogers (H.M.S. *Tamar*). Rogers then challenged him to a 15-round contest, and a similar challenge was made by A.B. Gardner (H.M.S. *Hermes*).

At the conclusion of the boxing, Mr. R. M. Dyer presented the prizes to the Novices.

## FRANCIS AND ADDISON.

C.P.O. Francis, 174 lbs. (H.M.S. *Titanic*) met Stoker Addison, 177 lbs. (H.M.S. *Hermes*) in a six-round heavyweight contest. The exchanges in the first round were fairly even, Addison being occasionally seen to advantage with left swings to the jaw. Francis landed hard to the body. The second round saw Addison swing wildly, and Francis, whenever opportunity arose, sent smashing rights to the body. Addison, however, did not appear to be shaken.

Francis began the third round with a fierce onslaught, but Addison took all his blows without flinching. He was occasionally shaken with nasty right jolts but always fought back. He attacked in the next round, but his blows were often wide of the mark. The fight, as it continued, became fiercer. Francis appeared confident, but Addison took rights to the body and jaw without flinching. It was a well contested fight—both men standing up and hitting hard. Francis was the better boxer and surer hitter and deservedly gained the verdict. Addison showed wonderful tenacity against a far cleverer opponent.

## BAXTER AND EMMERSON.

L. S. Baker (135 lbs.) (H.M.S. *Hermes*) met L.T. Emerson, 136 lbs. (H.M.S. *Marston*) in a six-round lightweight contest. In the first round, Emerson seemed the cleverer though on the whole the fight was evenly waged. In the second round both men delivered right jolts and left hooks. Baker was more aggressive. A deal of wrestling was seen in the third round and Baker in the infighting was the stronger; in the open Emerson was superior. Emerson's blows appeared to lack the power of his opponent's. The *Hermes* man seemed untiring, whereas Emerson was not so fresh. Perceptibly wearied he had in the fifth round to withstand a shower of blows to the face and body. After a last round in which both men went at it "hammer and tongs," Baker was adjudged the winner.

## ROGERS AND BOWLES.

In a six-round featherweight contest, Signalmen Rogers (H.M.S. *Tamar*) was matched with Drummer Bowles (East Surrey). Bowles missed occasionally in the first round. There was little fighting, except a few left jolts by the signalmen, and rights to the body by the drummer. The exchanges in the second round were heavier, Bowles being content with right leads and Rogers infighting with rights to the body. Lightening left jabs were Bowles' addition in the third round, and Rogers again depended on jolts to the body. The boxing was good, but few blows got home in the fourth round. Rogers began the fifth round well and had the better of the infighting, but Bowles was the cleverer with left leads. In the last round, however, the majority of the points went to Rogers, but Bowles was adjudged the winner.

## PEARCE AND THOMPSON.

Stoker Thompson (*Tamar*) met A.B. Pearce (*Hermes*) in a six-round middleweight contest. This was a hard-fought contest. Thompson used a left hook and nasty right jolts to advantage, but in the second round he received as much as he gave. In the third and fourth rounds, exchanges were even. As the fight progressed, Pearce became more aggressive. Thompson planted rights and lefts to the jaw in the last round, but Pearce replied in like manner, and was given the decision.

## EWIN AND MORRELL.

Able Seaman Ewin, the Welterweight Champion, met Stoker Morrell (H.M.S. *Hermes*) over ten rounds. Ewin gaining the decision on points. Morrell as a boxer and fighter is far from mediocre, and he was often conspicuous for his lightning onslaughts, during which he found the champion's jaw with right and left swings. But, on the whole, he was no class against Ewin, who led well with his left and occasionally crashed his right to the jaw. Morrell often covered, and invariably Ewin allowed him much liberty. Morrell was often wild, Ewin always cool and collected. There were occasionally fierce encounters, but for the most part, the fight was more like an exhibition bout. The champion sometimes missed, since Morrell had a clever way of fencing. I believe that Ewin was far from extended, and it was seldom that he was really pressed. Morrell is too prone to swing, and a swing is never so efficacious as a job, or a hook. Ewin won comfortably.

NOVICES' BOUTS.  
The finals for the Novices Championship were over three rounds. Bantamweight Contest.—O.S. Haugh (*Hermes*) v. Stoker Burgess (*Amber*). Haugh had a walk over. Burgess acting on medical advice, did not enter the ring.

FEATHERWEIGHTS.  
Marine Hills (H.M.S. *Hermes*) v. A.B. Beach (H.M.S. *Hermes*). Beach led early in the first round, and Hills on occasion missed badly. The round was an exhibition of scientific boxing. As the round ended the *Hermes* boy had the better of the exchanges. The second round went to Beach. He often landed to the body and jaw heavily, but Hills was very game. He, however, had little effect on his more aggressive rival. Hills shaped well in the last round and used a straight left to advantage. Beach rushed, but the *Hermes* man feinted successfully, and shaking his opponent with a heavy right, punished him severely for some time. Beach lost ground and covered continually. Occasionally he fought back but the *Hermes* man was cooler and more sure. Hills amassed nearly all the points in this round, and this gave him the verdict.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS.  
L.T. Carter (H.M.S. *Carlisle*) v. Cook Hooper (H.M.S. *Hermes*). Lively exchanges characterised the first round, and Hooper seemed the stronger. Carter went down for a count of eight, and as the round ended appeared weak. Carter took the fight to his man in the second round and was doing well, when he was floored just as the round ended with a nasty right jolt to the body. He was possessed of marvellous toughness. Floored five times in the last round, Carter rose each time and slashed home with rights, but Hooper was too strong for him and was declared the winner. The loser was deservedly cheered as he left the ring.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS.  
A.B. Jackson (H.M.S. *Hermes*) v. A.B. Webb (H.M.S. *Titanic*). A slashing first round, with both men hitting hard, saw Jackson superior. As the round ended, Webb dropped from a nasty right. Jackson punched his man heavily in the second round. Webb swung wildly, whereas Jackson did not waste a blow. Webb put up a fine fight in the last round and before the conclusion Jackson did not have matters all his own way. Nevertheless, for the most part Jackson was the cleverer and must have won with something to spare.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS.  
Pto. Roberts (East Surrey) v. Marine Watts (H.M.S. *Hermes*). This fight was over in the first round. Watts was sure of his blows, whereas Roberts wasted his strength in wild swings. It was a short, lively tussle, hard-hitting, and exciting until Roberts was knocked out.

HEAVYWEIGHTS.  
Marine Strainfield (H.M.S. *Hermes*) v. A.B. McKenna (H.M.S. *Hermes*). Strainfield had the advantage in height and McKenna could do little against him. He was shaken by nasty right jolts and before the round ended was knocked out.

AWARDS TO LOSERS.  
The best losers in the Novices Competition were awarded prizes as under:—  
Dmr. Simpson, East Surrey (Bantams).  
A.B. Stollery, H.M.S. *Hermes* (Featherweights).  
A.B. Merrill, H.M.S. *Carlisle* (Lightweights).  
A.B. Whale (Middleweights).  
A.B. Reynold L.J. (Welterweights).

## MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieut.-Commander G. F. H. Cole, B.N., the following cases were dealt with:—

Four mistresses of fishing boats and a fishing boat girl, were each fined \$3, with three days' hard labour in default, for using drags, grapples or other means for the purpose of lifting articles out of the harbour, without the permission of the Harbour Master.

The master of a lighter was fined \$3, with the alternative of three days' imprisonment with hard labour, for mooring his lighter outside five other boats alongside the s.s. *Benlud*.

Mr. T. Norris, master of the s.s. *Tokai Maru*, was fined \$10 or two weeks in default, for failing to exhibit regulation lights on his vessel while in the harbour.

## GODOWN FIRE AT SHANGHAI.

## RAGING FOR EIGHT HOURS.

Last week what is described as a rather diabolical fire occurred in a block of godowns belonging to Messrs. Fobes & Co., Ltd., in the central district of Shanghai, almost immediately behind the American Club. Great clouds of smoke issued from the first and second floor windows, belonging to a Japanese and Chinese concern dealing in prints, ink, dyes, etc., and the China Export, Import and Bank Company, who rent godown space on the top floor of the building.

The godown is situated in a block of godowns off the main roads, almost in the middle of the block surrounded by Foochow, Honan, Sinking and Kiangsu Roads. Large quantities of paper, oils, rubber tyres, dyes, etc., are stored to have been stored in the godown and a very large fighting force was engaged in combating the fire which was first observed at 11.30 a.m. and it was not until about 8 p.m. that it was got under control.

The extent of the damage done had not been ascertained when the last mail left. It is stated that Messrs. Fobes & Co.'s property was insured for one lakh, and that of the Japanese and Chinese concern for 150,000. The China Export, Import and Bank Company's property, which was most severely damaged, was insured but to what extent was not known.

## CABLES.

## LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## TRANS-AFRICAN FLIGHT.

## MR. ALAN COBHAM HAS REACHED CAIRO.

CAIRO, December 7th.  
Mr. Alan Cobham, who left Croydon on a trans-African flight, on November 16th, has arrived at Sollum.

LATER.  
Mr. Cobham has arrived here.

A London cable, dated November 16th, stated: Mr. Alan Cobham has departed from Croydon on a trans-African flight to Cape Town via De Havilland 54, the same in which he recently flew to Rangoon with Sir Sefton Brancker. The machine has been reconditioned and fitted with a 385 h.p. Armstrong-Siddeley Jaguar engine. Mr. Cobham's companions are his mechanic, Mr. Elliott, and a film representative, Mr. Emmott.

## MONSTER POWER STATION.

## MOSCOW PLANT SAID TO BE WORLD'S LARGEST.

Moscow, December 7th.

Declared to be the largest of its kind in the world, the State Electric Power Station, 80 miles from Moscow, was formally opened by M. Trotsky to-day, in the presence of members of the *corps diplomatique*.

Russian, British and German firms shared in equipping the station, the capacity of which is 85,000 H.P. Turf is used as fuel.

## NEW FRENCH TAXES.

## ALLEGED PROPOSALS TO BE MADE BY M. LOUCHEUR.

PARIS, December 7th.

*Le Journal* learns that M. Loucheur will propose new taxes, expected to realize eight billion francs.

## EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

## CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS HINT AT HEAVY FINANCIAL LOSS.

LONDON, December 7th.

From the Chartered Accountants' statement of the accounts of the Empire Exhibition so far, it has been ascertained that the financial loss is nearly £1,600,000. The immediate liability of the guarantors is fixed at 15/ in the pound.

## RIPON, BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, December 7th.

The Ripon by-election, held in consequence of Major Wood's appointment as Viceroy of India, resulted as follows:  
Major J. W. Hills (C.) ..... 19,433  
Mr. J. Murray (L.) ..... 11,422

## EARLIER CABLES.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

## U.S. POSTAL SERVICE.

## THE ANNUAL REPORT SHOWS HEAVY LOSS.

WASHINGTON, December 6th.

The annual report of the Postmaster-General, Mr. New, states that the United States postal service was conducted at a loss of \$49,453,000 last year. Over half of the outgoing overseas mail and a substantial amount of the incoming mail were carried by American vessels, the result giving American ships a twenty-four hour preference over foreign lines for letter mails and a bigger preference for parcels.

## U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.

## GOVERNMENT AID SOUGHT FOR MERCHANT MARINE.

WASHINGTON, December 6th.

The United States Shipping Board, in its annual report, urges upon Congress the need of Government aid for the American merchant marine. It says the operation of the Government merchant fleet caused a loss of \$36,000,000 for the fiscal year of 1925, ending on June 30th, compared with a loss of \$41,000,000 in the previous year.

## THE FRENCH IN SYRIA.

## SHARP FIGHTING IS REPORTED SOUTH OF DAMASCUS.

BEIRUT, December 6th.

Sharp fighting was reported yesterday south of Damascus. A large force of Druses attacked a French post and a strong French column of tanks, armoured cars and aeroplanes made a sortie from the city.

After an all-day fight the French drove off the insurgents with heavy losses.

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

## TROUBLE IN SHANGHAI.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## STUDENTS DEFY ORDERS OF POLICE AND MILITARY.

SHANGHAI, December 7th.

In defiance of orders by the police and military, students held an anti-foreign and anti-Government demonstration in Chinese territory last evening. The military forcibly broke up the crowd and encountered fierce student resistance, necessitating the firing of a volley overhead, as a result of which a student is reported to have been killed.



## MEN'S DRESS.

## OUR EVENING UNIFORM.

When man changes his clothes in the evening he discards a suit of elegance and comfort and adopts one which, if not actually uncomfortable, is highly ludicrous in appearance. Who will give us a new kind of evening clothes for men?

It is extremely amusing that we wear our most happily designed clothes for work, and that when the time comes to play or relax we garb our diversion-seeking bodies in a uniform that almost suggests that we are ashamed of our intentions. I know that golfers wear plus fours in order to mark their degradation, and to warn non-golfers against cultivating their acquaintance, but what is there despicable or ignominious about dining-out, dancing, or theatre-going? Yet educated men all over the world on every night of every season never go forth to disport without first of all branding themselves with the sinister stigma of dress clothes.

Consider the composition of the suit. Nothing remarkable about the trousers, and nothing remarkable about the dinner jacket. If I deride the tail coat, you will be quick to point out that something similar is part of the morning dress worn when man cannot wish to proclaim a sense of humiliation. Well, there is a difference, large triangles being lacking out from either side of the front wings, but I shall agree that this oddity is not very marked, and it intended as a acknowledgment of obliquity, is a trifle furtive in its method. It is the waistcoat which man uses to proclaim his sense of humiliation when parted from his work.

## THE WAISTCOAT.

I need not, perhaps, describe an evening dress waistcoat. It is either white or black. (Evening waistcoats of other tints are worn by non-men.) It has a large hole in its front extending from the neck almost to the top of the trousers. This hole varies in breadth. With your halving it may be but seven or eight inches, but with the members of the aristocracy of Avoirdupois it may be more. Now, there is a hole also in the day waistcoat, but it is a trifling wedge, when all is said and done, and is intended to gratify those who find pleasure in the foppish of a coloured cravat. Then we are all fops, say you. Now at all, I take you up. Before me on my table is a photograph of my father, who never wore neckties. He had his waistcoats made without a hole, so that they buttoned right up to the neck.

The hole made by the tailor in the evening waistcoat should be filled somehow. Do we fill it? We do not. We ask the censorious world to gaze upon our shirt, and I maintain that here is one of humanity's most humble and touching gestures. "I am garbed for recreation," says the man in dress clothes, "but just you suspect me of being a drone I show you a shirt which is even as yours. You may not approve of my having the front starched, but that is done to irritate me into a constant awareness that in the midst of life we are in death, and in order to keep draughts of my weak chest." Something beautiful, here, if one had the agility to spear it.

## THE COLLAR.

Round the neck of the man in evening uniform goes a stiff, upright collar which melts in warm weather and even in the winter may collapse in a warm room. A bright little butterfly bow like those you see in the hair of Ethel, aged nine, in the family albums, completes the outfit. Perhaps I should mention the studs in the shirt front. Mr. Potter thought them very important. He was, as you ought to know, the hero of "The Diary of a Nobody," and suffered mental agony upon a certain occasion for fear that his son might notice that the coral was missing from one of father's dress studs. Those were good days. No corals now; only pearls and gold.

Well, it will be admitted that, so dressed, man looks very ridiculous. If the uniform be well made it is not definitely uncomfortable, but there will be none to deny that it might be a great deal more comfortable than it is. (Out with it, you cry, all impatience. All in good time. I have schemed a substitute, and I know that you will deride it. Argal, I shall postpone your derision as long as possible.) Evening clothes, then, being ugly, and less than perfectly comfortable can have as their sole excuse the determination of the wearer to proclaim that he has abandoned work for recreation.

Now, is this necessary? Very desirable it is that we should change our clothes for the last five or six hours of the day, but why into a ludicrous uniform? Surely it would be far better to put on another lounge suit, which is probably the neatest and most comfortable costume ever designed for men. If we must show our shirts, just as repentant people in the classics bare their breasts, surely it would suffice if we left our waists open. To take off a waistcoat with a small hole in it and put on another with a very much deeper hole is a gesture that we shall have great difficulty in explaining, when finally called upon to give an account of the use to which we have put our intellects.

Do modern evening clothes suggest enjoyment? Stop and look at a tailor's picture of a man so dressed. Gaze into a window upon a wax figure in joy rags. What is conjured up? Are you exhilarated, put in good humour? Become

you perk up? Are your thoughts turned to gaiety and joviality? Do you lulloo with joy? You do not, but if there is anything in the association of ideas you should feel at least a lifting of the spirit. See a picture of a man in a cassock and biretta and you become grave and reverent. See a picture of a handsome soldier in uniform, and you stiffen, put back your shoulders and maybe turn out your toes. See a picture of a policeman and you think of traffic blocks and Lord Mayor's shows, which are exactly what a policeman should suggest. But if you see a picture of a man in evening dress you are not thereby reminded of the recreations of life. Far from it! Your thoughts may range from the Soho scoundrel who put his thumb in the soup to thousands of mad tennors hurling "Thora" at you at a charity concert.

It is my ambition to scheme an evening suit for man that will suggest pleasure rather than misery, the sunshine rather than the cloud. No good trying to be pleasant if your clothes clash with your mood.

I remember that in the amateur pantomime which was given in my home last Christmas I was put down on the programme to play "a grig." When the time came for allocating the costumes, I was thrown something utterly inappropriate, a dark jacket with a Puritan collar and a sort of Alpine hat which would have done splendidly for Switzerland in the Grand Procession of All Nations, but would be absurd for a grasshopper. "If I must be a grig," I remember saying bitterly, "give me something to wear that at any rate remotely suggests a grig."

## THE TOGA.

So do I feel about male evening dress. Let it suggest ease, recreation, *dolce far niente*, and a certain chirpiness. For a long time I played with the idea of a toga. We should look rather magnificent, should we not? You could have any colour. Mine would be purple, with a gold-embroidered tunic as worn permanently by Julius Caesar. The hat that goes with it is called the apex, made of leather and shaped like a tall and rather thin pyramid. A jolly hat, I am ready to argue. The silk topper suggests politics and doctors, while anything with a peak in it somehow suggests merriment.

But the toga is, of course, for slower, more majestic days. We no longer have the manner for it, and there will be some of the other sex to add that we have not the legs. That shall be as it may. The masculine leg is certainly not more decorative than the feminine figure. But the principal point against the toga is that while it must have been supremely comfortable, it does not suggest gaiety. It seems to me that trousers are absolutely necessary for a costume that is intended to convey an air of jauntness.

But what sort of trousers? There is only one kind that infallibly moves you to sympathetic smiles. Not the Oxford extensions, which are without symmetry and so arouse stares of contempt. I refer to the bell-bottomed trousers of the Jack Tar. Think of them! I see you smiling already. Very well, you shall be wearing trousers of just that pattern before long, and scarcely will you have braced them on before a wave of waggishness will suffice you.

## WHY NOT A SKULL CAP?

Now, what shall we wear with the bell-bottomed trousers? I see a jorkin that is something between an artist's blouse and a smock. There would be deep pockets in the jorkin for such things as handkerchiefs, and smoking materials, and under all would be a body belt with neat pockets for money, tickets, keys and knife. Round the neck I would suggest a ruffe such as pierrots wear. A ruffe is very suggestive of ease and pleasure, and its use would compensate the laundries for the loss of shirt waists. On the head a skull-cap. It is high time that the hairless were relieved of a grave disability, and if all men were gaily coloured skull-caps, which should say which was fifty and which fifteen?

There should be no restrictions in the matter of colour. The brightest tints would naturally be worn by the young, while the old fogies would be content with neutral and dark tones. All we want to make the thing a success is a few volunteers to exhibit its charm and suitability. Oh, I know that I can get the Bright Young People, but believe me, they have not enough influence. I send out my call to the potent, the grave and the reverend, to the Worthies of London. Whether they lead all will follow. Name me a politician of any party who could not obtain a following by wearing bell-bottomed trousers and a ruffe.—By BASIL M. HASTINGS in the *Evening Standard*.

## THE GREAT MYSTERY.

## "AFTER-DEATH" THOUGHTS BY DAME NELLIE MELBA.

What awaits us after the close of this life?

Under the title "When I am Dead" a London paper has initiated a great discussion on the final human mystery. All lines of thought are represented in the contributions published by that paper.

Dame Nellie Melba expresses her frank views and feelings in an article of remarkable interest. She is most uncompromising in stressing her conviction that death is not a finish. "I know," she says, and recalls a time (she was listening to "Parsifal" when she fell into a trance. "Whatever may have been my physical state," Dame Nellie avers, "I was quite aware of my spiritual condition. I was not on this earth; I was in another existence."

"Like almost every man and woman who thinks at all, my belief in immortality is based on instinct," is another phrase used by the great prima donna.

## JEWEL-BEDECKED DANCING GIRL.

## SENTENCES IN MUMTAZ CASE TO STAND.

A London sequel last month to the murder in Bombay of a wealthy Indian merchant with whom Mumtaz Begum, a dancing girl, took refuge was a petition to appeal against sentences of death in the case of some of the prisoners convicted of the crime, and transportation for life in case of others.

All the applications were refused. The application came before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, represented by Lord Dunedin, Lord Sumner, and Sir John Edge. Sir John Simon, K.C., M.P., Sir George R. Lowndes, K.C., Mr. J. M. Parikh, and Mr. M. R. Pillai appeared for the appellants, the Crown being represented by Mr. A. M. Dunne, K.C., and Mr. K. Brown.

## INDIANS IN COURT.

The convicted men were Shafi Ahmad, Nabi Ahmed, and two others who were sentenced to death, and three who were sentenced to transportation. A further prisoner, sentenced to transportation for life, whose case was considered separately, was that of Anandras Gangaran Phanse. The question in his case was whether he could be convicted of murder. All the men were sentenced at Bombay on May 23rd last for complicity in the murder of a man named A. K. Bawla, by shooting, the injuring of others, including the girl Mumtaz Begum, and conspiracy to kidnap the last named from British India.

The special petition to appeal was heard in the oak-panelled court in Downing-street, whose bookshelves somewhat suggested a public reference library. About a dozen Indians were in court.

Sir John Simon outlined the circumstances leading up to the crime, and said there was no reason whatever to suppose that Phanse was present of that occasion. It was alleged, proceeded Sir John Simon, that these men were engaged in a conspiracy to abduct the woman Mumtaz Begum, who had previously been associated with the Maharajah of Indore, and who had left Indore in April 1924. Subsequently she became associated with Bawla. There was some evidence to show that Phanse was concerned in a conspiracy to take this woman back to Indore.

While Mumtaz Begum was in Indore there were certain ceremonies, and she was decked up with certain jewels, which she did not return. The result was that when she disappeared the keeper of the jewels was arrested and thrown into gaol. There was no doubt that those men thought if they could get the woman back to Indore with the jewels the jewel-keeper would be released. Phanse admitted that he had made efforts to get her back to Indore because he believed from inquiries made that she was willing to go back.

JURY'S FINDING. On the 21st the jury found Phanse guilty of conspiracy to abduct the woman.

Instead of dealing with that point, the jury found him guilty of murder, a point which the judge had never raised. The case, said Sir John, was tried in an atmosphere which made it extremely difficult to get an impartial trial, and it was true that with regard to Phanse there was no clear distinction drawn.

When Mr. A. M. Dunne, K.C., rose to reply for the Crown, Lord Dunedin said that he need not deal with any part of the case except the arguments on behalf of Phanse's application.

Mr. Dunne then proceeded to present the case for the Crown, regarding Phanse's complicity in the affair. The application of Phanse, like the others, was refused.

Lord Dunedin said they did not feel they could advise the King to grant leave for any of the appellants, and they would give their reasons later in writing.

## LONDON'S NEW TUNNEL.

## PROGRESS ON AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE PLANS.

To cope with the rapid growth of the London telephone service, Post Office engineers are constructing a huge tunnel in the heart of the City. It is to carry the lines and cables for a giant "telephone house" to be erected in Wood-street, E.C. 4, and this building is to contain three exchanges—two of them will be known as "Metropolitan" and "National"—at least 30,000 pairs of lines have to be provided for.

The site is that which the Germans helped to clear during the war when a Zeppelin bomb destroyed the premises of Messrs. Ward, Sturt, and Sharp, and it is from here that the great tunnel now being constructed starts.

The three exchanges at Wood-street will be automatic, and in order that there shall be no difficulty in connecting subscribers in the future the Post Office is now making arrangements for every new building erected in the City to be wired for telephones on every floor and in every room so that a would-be subscriber can be connected up with the appropriate exchange within a few hours of a request for service being received.

To-day there are 263,000 exchange lines and 450,000 instruments working in the London area, and this number, it is expected, will be greatly increased when the automatic exchanges come into operation. Altogether there are to be 128 in London, and of these the first to be working will be the new Holborn, erected on the site of the Inns of Court Hotel, High Holborn. It will be the end of next year before it will be in working order.



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SUNS THAT HAVE SET.  
RETIRED PROCONSULS.

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And His Excellency, seated in a downy cushioned victoria, there still are horses in the East—saith with pugris of scarlet and gold on the box, mounted orderlies in attendance, drove slowly and sedately—but with all proper pomp and circumstance—through the Residency gates.

Europeans in open cars, on polo ponies, or on foot saluted with impressment as he passed; natives saluted profoundly; a few coolies emphasised their loyalty—this, by the way, was not in India—by even more servile obeisance, with black or brown slim hands raised to foreheads to shade the eyes from the passing glory.

That was some years ago, but the scene reproduced itself instantaneously to-day, when I inadvertently bumped into a field-labeller, conscripted into the division at the grocery counter of the Army and Navy Stores, and noticed, idly, that the coat was not by any means of this or last-winter's cut.

He had grown old, that Resident, and in spite of the qualification preceding his name and the many and varied initials following it, he seemed a wearied and disillusioned man. Together we walked down Victoria Street, he with no survival of the grand manner, and I striving for a shattered sense of proportion, as yet inadequately adjusted.

Then, when, near the station-crossing, a white-gloved and imperious policeman spread abroad a hand like a ham in a pillow-slip, and with a curt word ceremoniously pushed involuntarily for a spectral guard that would promptly put that temerarious constable, under close and instant arrest for daring to touch the Heaven-born.

Alas! my Resident made no protest—years since the iron had bitten too deeply into his soul—and with a pathetic and apologetic half-smile to me, as you should say, "How are the mighty fallen indeed," he went his way, carrying, unless I greatly erred, his half-weekly ration of groceries.

You may see them—those fallen set-raps, finished pro-consuls, time-expired Generals of Divisions—in Bath, Southsea, Cheltenham, and in divers watering-places. I know of one who inhabits an abandoned mill in a flat and joyless country-side, who, servanless, eked out a forlorn existence in a congenious and unresponsive kitchen garden to him an oasis in a cold and unsympathetic world. But not altogether forgotten. For not although oblivious of the years of striving, of toilsome routine, administrative study and closest application by which his past pre-eminence was won, a meticulously jealous Government will see to it that the last obol is wrung from the pittance of a pension on which, together with futile memories of the past, our home-comer exists. Can you blame him—and his—in that he, driven from the haven towards which he has looked for decades, hies himself to cheap Continental resorts and lives there an even more aimless existence?

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But the vast inarticulate majority, the autumn of whose lives is but faintly warmed by recollections of the days that were: they, too, have their consolations. They have reached the heights, and conversely, plumbed the depths; and if in so doing they have not acquired a true sense of perspective, a knowledge of, and the power to apply, the best of all philosophies—that born of personal experience—and do not benefit thereby, theirs be the fault. (Major Noyes in *The Times*.)

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## SHIPPING NEWS

## ARRIVALS.

December 6th.

*Fushun*, British str., 323 tons, Capt. J. E. Blay, from Southampton and Singapore, lying at Stonecutters' Quay.

*Iyo Maru*, Japanese str., 5,992 tons, Capt. Y. Aoshima, from Manila, with 800 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

*Kimi Maru*, Japanese str., 1,591 tons, Capt. K. Hagiwara, from Karatsu, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 850.—M.B.K.

*Paludina*, British str., 3,434 tons, Capt. J. W. Wilson, from San Francisco and Shanghai, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—A.P.C.

*Patrick Henry*, American str., 4,808 tons, Capt. S. C. Dargen, from New Orleans and Swatow, with coal oil, lying at Laichikok.—A.O.L.

December 7th.

*Amrum*, Dutch str., 934 tons, Capt. F. S. der Heide, from Balikpapan, with bulk oil, lying at A.P.C. Wharf.—Atlantic Petroleum Co.

*Barrow*, British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with 2,043 tons of general cargo and livestock, lying at buoy No. 630.—Shan Tai S.S. Co.

*Celebes Maru*, Japanese str., 5,863 tons, Capt. H. Goto, from Moji, with 6,500 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

*Chinghai*, British str., 1,353 tons, Capt. J. Beck, from Bangkok and Hoihow, with 1,157 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. 642.—B. & S.

*Ding On*, Chinese str., 527 tons, Capt. Leung Hing, from Kwang Chow Wan, with 60 tons of dried ginger root, lying at buoy No. 643.—Shun On Co.

*Kwang Sang*, British str., 1,425 tons, Capt. A. Dockwray, from Tsingtau and Shanghai, with 543 tons of general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

*President Harrison*, American str., 6,154 tons, Capt. E. Porta, from New York and Shanghai. The former port was left on October 19th and the latter on December 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

*Sandwich*, German str., 1,070 tons, Capt. Franz Heller, from Yokohama and Keelung, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 62.—Jensen & Co.

*Sui Yang*, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. O. Dudley, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 64.—B. & S.

*Tai Nee Ma*, Chinese str., 498 tons, Capt. Kwok Kee Po, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 638.—Yan Fat S.S. Co.

*Taiyo Maru*, Japanese str., 14,457 tons, Capt. M. Otani, from San Francisco and Shanghai. The former port she left on November 29th and the latter on December 1st, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 65.—T.K.K.

*Trieste*, Italian str., 3,352 tons, Capt. Cravallara, from Trieste and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 65.—Doddwell & Co.

## CLEARANCES.

December 7th.

*Amrum*, for Miri.

*Patrick Henry*, for Manila.

*President Harrison*, for Manila.

*Sandwich*, for Manila.

*Trieste*, for Sri Lanka.

*Yingchow*, for Ningpo.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Kwang Sang*, on December 7th:—Mr. A. B. E. Lambie.

Per Dollar liner *President Harrison*, from New York via ports, on December 7th:—Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Brady, Mr. A. Gandossi, Mr. Victor B. Glöves, Mr. Tsang Kwong King, Mr. Lin Ching Hwa, Mrs. James A. Lim, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Massee, Mrs. Maria Roberts, Mrs. Ina W. Shewan, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Watkins, Mr. E. W. Broussard, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gair, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Keeble, Mr. A. C. Newberry, Mrs. J. S. Roberts and son, Mrs. H. F. Arnold, Mr. W. Arnold, Miss S. Barnes, Mr. E. W. Burch, Miss Margaret Baker, Mrs. Sylvia Baker, Mrs. R. S. Caivin, Mr. Wm. W. Coblentz, Mrs. M. J. Elliott, Miss E. C. Foote, Mr. F. Goodman, Mrs. Emma E. Massey, Miss Flora M. Massey, Mr. Ralph Standish, Mr. Mm. A. Spurr, Mr. H. T. Stetson, Miss Lulu Tracey, Mr. J. W. West, Mrs. Alice M. Johnson, Mrs. E. A. Wante, Mrs. M. H. Allyn, Mr. J. C. Black, Mrs. F. R. Burnham, Major F. R. Burnham, Mr. P. Dorsett, Mr. J. H. Dorsett, Mr. and Mrs. A. Diener, Mrs. M. B. Ford, Mr. Wm. M. Gregg, Mr. A. J. Todd, Mrs. E. Gregg, Mrs. N. G. Todd, Mr. G. S. Archer, Mrs. A. F. Salisbury, Mr. L. E. Salisbury, Miss L. Roberts, Mr. R. L. de Wolf, Mr. J. W. Miller, Mr. Saul H. Sharman, Mrs. Lillian F. Lynch.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Australia* arrived at Yokohama on the morning of December 5th, left the same evening, and is due at Vancouver on December 18th.

The M.M. s.s. *Amboise* being delayed through bad weather, will not be due in Hongkong till the 11th inst. (delay of two days).

The P. & O. s.s. *Kashmir* left Shanghai for this port on the 6th inst. at 1 p.m. and is due here on the 9th inst. about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. *Macedonia* left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst. at 10 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 10th inst. about noon.

The B.I. and Apeal Line s.s. *Tilawa* will leave Amoy for this port on the afternoon of the 9th inst. and is due here on the afternoon of the 10th.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

The shipping statement for yesterday showed that the total number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 56, of which 26 were British.

For the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday there were seven arrivals, of which three were British, one Italian, one German, one Japanese and one Chinese. The departures for the same period numbered four, including the s.s. *Mozan* under the Swatow. The arrivals for the previous twenty-four hours numbered three, with twelve departures over the same period.

The total cargo entered for Hongkong for the above period was 4,233 tons, of which the biggest consignments were brought by the s.s. *Borneo* (2,043 tons) and the s.s. *Kimi Maru* (3,352 tons), against 900 tons of cargo entered for Hongkong for the previous twenty-four hours. Cargo for ports beyond totalled 7,250 tons, compared with 4,300 tons the previous day. The combined cargo entered came to 13,473 tons, against the previous entry of 5,200 tons.

The arrivals for the period referred to were the s.s. *Sui Yang* (British) from Shanghai and Swatow with general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Barrow* (British) from Haiphong and Hoihow with 2,043 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Fushun* (British) from Southampton and Singapore; the s.s. *Trieste* (Italian) from Trieste and Singapore with 30 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Sandwich* (German) from Yokohama and Keelung with mail for Hongkong, but no cargo, although entering 5,250 tons of cargo for ports beyond; the s.s. *Kimi Maru* (Japanese) from Karatsu with 3,352 tons of coal and the s.s. *Tai Nee Ma* (Chinese) from Kwang Chow Wan with 300 tons of general cargo.

Later arrivals yesterday were the s.s. *President Harrison* (American) from the North with general cargo and mail from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai and the s.s. *Taiyo Maru* (Japanese) with general cargo and mail from the same ports.

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

*Empress of Asia* (C.P.R.), due to-day.

*Agua* (Swedish East Asiatic), due Jan. 1st, 1924.

*Empress of Canada* (C.P.R.), due Dec. 17th.

*Formosa* (Swedish East Asiatic), due December 25th.

*Tulima* (B.I. & Apeal), due to-day.

## A SUNKEN SHIP.

The master of the s.s. *Borneo* (British vessel from Haiphong and Hoihow) reported to the Harbour Office yesterday that at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, off Hainan, head beam, bearing South about 1° off, a rather heavy weather mast about 100 feet high and apparently well weighted at the bottom, being probably a mast of one of the sunken ships in that vicinity.

## YANGTZE STEAMER'S VOYAGE FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

## THE S.S. "FUSHUN."

An interesting arrival during the week-end was the s.s. *Fushun*, a small river steamer of only 323 tons register, which arrived in port on Saturday night from Southampton.

The *Fushun* has been built by Messrs. John I. Thornycroft & Co., Ltd., whose Eastern agent, Mr. R. Roxburgh, is at present staying at the Hongkong Hotel. The vessel is for service in the upper reaches of the Yangtze River. She has a mean draft of only 5 feet.

The voyage from Southampton to Hongkong took in all 73 days, but only 57 days were actually spent in steaming. Although other vessels built for service in the Yangtze River have accomplished the voyage from Home, the *Fushun* is the first one to have done so which is capable of maintaining the service in the winter, when the waters of the Yangtze are at their lowest.

At present the *Fushun* is anchored off Stonecutters' Island and presents a smart appearance. While in port she will undergo a speed trial under the supervision of Mr. Roxburgh.

The vessel has a crew of 23 members, including six British officers. Her master is Mr. J. E. Blay, R.N.R., the mate, Mr. L. L. Lawrence, and the second officer, Mr. F. Hewlett. Her engineers are Mr. G. Gair, Mr. V. Almy, engineer in Thornycroft's interests, and Mr. MacFarlane, an oil fuel expert.

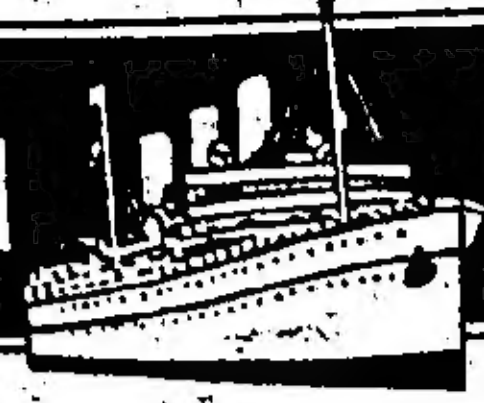
The steamer, a coal-converter-oil-burner, is 144 feet long, with a beam of 22 feet. She is of 577 tons gross, and her maximum draft on the journey out was 8 feet 5½ inches. Coming into Hongkong her mean draught was five feet.

Coming up from Singapore the *Fushun* encountered a very strong monsoon, but throughout the whole passage from Southampton she behaved splendidly. In order to avoid the severity of the monsoon, the vessel made her way to Hongkong via Palawan Island, though heavy weather was encountered between Luzon and Hongkong.

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 7th.

	Previous Day	On Day	On Day
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.24	30.25	30.22
Temperature	85	86	87
Humidity	51	45	21
Wind Direction	E	NNE	NNE
Force	2	B	3
Weather	B	B	C
Rain	0.60	0.00	0.00
Highest open-air Temperature on 8th	85		
Lowest open-air Temperature on 7th	54		



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Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 7	Jan. 10	Jan. 13	Jan. 16	Jan. 25
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Jan. 22	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 30	Feb. 8
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 13	Feb. 22
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Feb. 27	Mar. 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 23
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Apr. 6
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 10	Apr. 19
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Apr. 16	Apr. 19	Apr. 22	Apr. 24	May 3
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 22	May 31
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 28	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 14
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	June 11	June 14	June 17	June 19	June 28
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 12

(S/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai.)

## HONGKONG-MANILA-HONGKONG SERVICE

Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive
Hongkong	Manila	Manila	Hongkong
Dec. 18	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dec. 23
Jan. 1	Jan. 3	Jan. 4	Jan. 6

Passenger Department: Tel. C. 752. Cables: GACANPAC.  
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KAMO MARU ... Saturday, 2nd Jan.  
KATORI MARU ... Saturday, 16th Jan.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.  
LYONS MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Jan.  
LIVERPOOL via ADEN & MARSEILLES.  
MATSUYE MARU ... Saturday, 2nd Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.  
TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 23rd Dec. at 11 a.m.  
AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Jan.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.  
MALACCA MARU ... Saturday, 28th Dec.  
TATSUNO MARU ... Sunday, 17th Jan.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.  
KAWACHI MARU ... Monday, 25th Dec.

CAIRO via Singapore, Penang & Bangkok.  
BENGAL MARU ... Friday, 18th Dec.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.  
SADO MARU ... Saturday, 19th Dec.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
AKI MARU ... Thursday, 17th Dec.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
HAKATA MARU ... Wednesday, 9th Dec.  
TAMBA MARU ... Saturday, 12th Dec.  
ATSUBA MARU ... Tuesday, 15th Dec.  
KASHIMA MARU ... Tuesday, 29th Dec.

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s.s. "OLDKERK"	23rd Jan., 1924
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s.s. "OLDKERK"	15th Dec., 1923
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s.s. "ZOSMA"	9th Feb., 1924

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HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	Tuesday, 8th Dec., at Noon.
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HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"TINGSANG"	Friday, 11th Dec., at Noon.
KOBE via AMOY, SHANGHAI & MOJI	"NAMSANG"	Monday, 14th Dec., at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK	"HANGSANG"	Monday, 14th Dec., at Noon.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"	Wednesday, 16th Dec., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Friday, 18th Dec., at Noon.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG"	Thursday, 24th Dec., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Saturday, 26th Dec., at Noon.
KOBE via SHANGHAI	"POOKSANG"	Tuesday, 29th Dec., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Friday, 18th Jan., at 3 p.m.

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Vessel	Due Hongkong	Leaves Hongkong	Discharges
"CARNARVONSHIRE"	14th Dec.	"GLENBEG"	24th Dec.
"GLENSHIEL"	21st Jan.	"GLENBEG"	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
"PEMBROKESHIRE"	21st Jan.	"CARNARVONSHIRE"	25th Jan.
"GLENIFFER"	4th Feb.	"GLENSHIEL"	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg via Uman.
"GLENGOGLIE"	4th Feb.	"GLENSHIEL"	31st Jan.
"GLENGARRY"	18th Jan.	"GLENSHIEL"	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

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Further Sailings	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about
M/S. "Malaya"	3rd December	15th Jan., 1924
M/S. "Kina"	10th Jan., 1924	—
M/S. "Tongking"	22nd Jan., 1924	—
M/S. "Danmark"	15th Feb., 1924	—

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The Radio Service has reverted to normal hours of working. Messages may be handed in at any hour of the day or night during General Post Office hours at Radio Counter, Main Hall, at all other times messages should be taken through the corner entrance at Pender Street and Des Voeux Road to the Radio Office on the 3rd floor of the building, these hours will be closed after 10 p.m. but admittance may be obtained by ringing the night-bell.

The Parcel Post Service to Canton is suspended until further notice.

Radio Traffic with Canton and Swatow is suspended until further notice. Interport Radio Telegrams are subject to delay. Messages in Code must have name of Code used included in text.

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
SHANGHAI	Andre Labon	8th Dec.
EUROPE via Singapore (papers only)	Taiwan	8th Dec.
London, 5th Nov.	Amoy	8th Dec.
MANILA	Amoy	8th Dec.
SHANGHAI	Amoy	8th Dec.
SUEZ & STRAITS	Amoy	8th Dec.
AMOI	Amoy	8th Dec.
SHANGHAI	Amoy	8th Dec.
EUROPE via Suez (Letters & Papers)	Amoy	8th Dec.
London, 12 Nov. & Parcel 5, Nov.	Amoy	8th Dec.
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Amoy	8th Dec.
MANILA	Amoy	8th Dec.
SAIGON	Amoy	8th Dec.
STRAITS	Amoy	8th Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Amoy	8th Dec.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Amoy	8th Dec.
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Amoy	8th Dec.
JAPAN	Amoy	8th Dec.
AUSTRALIA AND MANILA	Amoy	8th Dec.
JAPAN	Amoy	8th Dec.
STRAITS	Amoy	8th Dec.

## OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hongkong and Haiphong	Mingyang	Tuesday, 8th, 10.30 A.M.
Bangkok	Kyong	10.30 A.M.
Amoy and Foochow	Kia Ning	Noon
Seigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, and S. EUROPE via Mauritius—Marseilles, 9th Jan., 1926	Andre Labon	Reg. Letters 1.45 P.M.
Manila	Patrick Henry	2.00 P.M.
Straits	Celebes Maru	2.00 P.M.
Amoy	Singapore	3.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Amoy	5.00 P.M.
Amoy and Japan	Taiwan	Wednesday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Kashmir	Thursday, 10th, 10.30 A.M.
Hongkong	Ushihara	10.30 A.M.
Haiphong	Tan	2.30 P.M.
Swatow	Sui Kang	2.30 P.M.
Hongkong, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Amakusa Maru	Friday, 11th, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai & Japan	Macedonia	8.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Amoy	Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, & EUROPE via Victoria, S.U.—via Victoria, H.C. 30th Dec.	Pres. Jackson	Parcels 2.45 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Taiwan	Letters 3.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Mauritius—Marseilles—Suez—Haiphong	Morea	Letters 12th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia (Letters & Postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Shantung	Parcels 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kia Ning	Reg. Letters 12th, 9.45 A.M.
Wei Hai Wei	Huachow	10.30 A.M.
Bangkok	Hangsang	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia (Letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Atsuta Maru	Tuesday, 15th, 10.30 A.M.

\* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## COMMERCIAL.

## OPENING QUOTATIONS.

December 7th, 1925.

On London—	Telegraphic Transfer	2/4 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	2/4 7/8	
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/4 1/2	
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2	
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2	
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2	
On Paris—	Bank Bills, on demand	1,480
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,530	
On New York—	Bank Bills, on demand	67 1/2
Credits, at 30 days' sight	68 1/2	
On Bombay—	Telegraphic Transfer	155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2	
On Calcutta—	Telegraphic Transfer	155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2	
On Shanghai—	Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	11 1/2	
On Yokohama—On demand	11 1/2	
On Manila—On demand	100 1/2	
On Batavia—On demand	14 1/2	
On Hongkong—On demand	nom.	
On Saigon—On demand	nom.	
On Bangkok—On demand	75 1/2	
Governor, Bank's buying rate	83.24	
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	32 1/2	
Bar Silver, per oz.	32 1/2	

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorized Capital ..... \$50,000,000  
Issued and Fully Paid-up ..... \$50,000,000  
Reserve Funds:—  
Sterling ..... \$4,500,000  
Silver ..... \$25,500,000  
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... \$20,000,000

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Hongkong, 19th May, 1925. [35]

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Interest on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.  
Depositors may transfer at their option Balance of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on FIXED DEPOSITS at CURRENT RATES.  
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.  
A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [19]

## CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

## HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital ..... £3,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... £4,000,000  
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.

Hongkong, April 15th, 1925. [30]

## BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

(Incorporated in France).

5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

## HEAD OFFICE:

74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital ..... Frs. 20,000,000

Reserve ..... Frs. 11,100,000

Special Working Capital ..... Frs. 50,000,000

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Peking Shanghai Tientsin

Canton Hongkong

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London: Midland Bank, Ltd.

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Correspondents throughout the World.

A. ROLLIN, Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925. [39]

## THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Head Office:

15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorized Capital ..... £3,000,000

Subscribed Capital ..... £1,800,000

Paid-up Capital ..... £1,050,000

Reserve Fund ..... £1,300,000

## BANKERS:

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts to 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.

J. P. ROSS, Acting Manager.

7, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, April 17th, 1925. [29]

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Head Office:

93, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital ..... Frs. 72,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ..... Frs. 63,409,000.00

Reserve Fund ..... Frs. 29,667,283.54

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [32]

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ..... Yen 45,000,000

Capital (Paid-up) ..... Yen 29,379,000

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T. TAKAGI, Manager.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1925. [27]

## THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Established 1912.

Authorized Capital ..... £1,500,000

Paid-up Capital ..... £1,078,550

Silver Reserve Fund ..... \$700,000

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LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.

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(Specially authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital ..... \$50,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ..... 15,278,800.00

Reserve Fund ..... 9,099,425.24

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TSUYEE PEI, Manager.

Hongkong, September 8th, 1921. [35]

## NEDELANDSCH-CHINESE MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).

Established 1824.

Hongkong Branch established 1905.

Authorized Capital

Gulden 150,000,000

Paid-up Capital ..... (212,500,000)

Reserve Fund ..... (26,608,670)

Special Reserves ..... (21,711,405)

22,860,000

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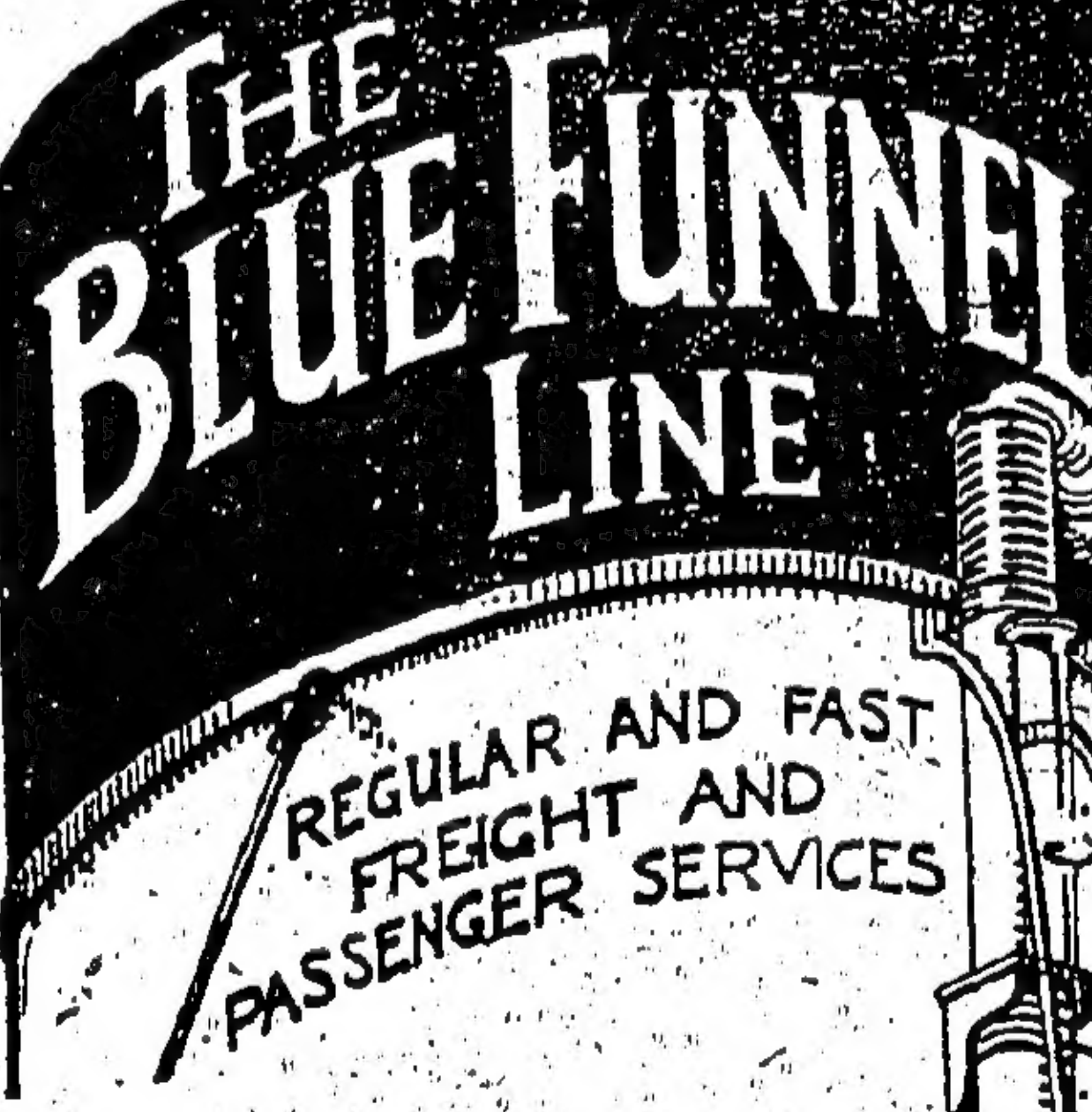
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"THESEUS" 22nd Dec. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

"ANTHOS" 13th Jan. Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow.

"DARDANUS" 25th Jan. Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

## LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"TITAN" 20th Dec. Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

"BELLEROPHON" 20th Jan. Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

"LAOMEDON" 1st Feb. Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

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(GO KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA).

"ACRILLES" 14th Dec. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

"PROTESILAS" 8th Jan. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

## NEW YORK SERVICE.

"CAULOPUS" 7th Jan. Boston, New York & Baltimore.

"YANTOPE" 19th Jan. Boston, New York & Baltimore.

## PASSENGER SERVICE.

"ANTHOS" 16th Dec. Singapore, Marseilles & London.

"PATROCLUS" 16th Dec. Singapore, Marseilles & London.

"ANTHOS" 18th Jan. Singapore, Marseilles & London.

"RECTOR" 8th Mar.